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Installation

Installation Overview

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Fort Sam Houston is located on the northeast side of San Antonio, Texas. It is accessible from Interstate-Loop 410, Interstate-35 and US 281. The post is surrounded by San Antonio, the 10th largest city in the United States. Some interesting places to visit are the Alamo, the Riverwalk, the Missions, the Alamodome, Seaworld of San Antonio and Fiesta Texas Theme Park. San Antonio is known as "Military City USA" because it has the extreme good fortune of having five military installations located in its perimeter and the city shares a wonderful rapport with members of our military community.

MISSION

The primary mission at Fort Sam Houston is medical training and support post. The post is the home of the HQ U.S. 5th Army, U.S. Army 5th Recruiting Brigade, Brooke Army Medical Center, Institute of Surgical Research, U.S. Army Medical Department Center and School, U.S. Army Center Brigade, and U.S. Army Medical Command.

Population assigned-served: - 110,403

Active Duty Officers & Enlisted - 6,950 Family Members - 70,710 Retiree - 14,687 Civilian Employees - 7,230 Reserve Components - 3,136 National Guard - 1,256 Student Personnel - 4,790 Other Services - 1.644

NOTE:

The National Command Authority has directed all installations to follow Force Protection Condition measures. At the present time Fort Sam Houston is currently at Force Protection Condition Charlie.

All gates on Fort Sam Houston are closed except for the following gates:

Walters Street, Dickman Road, Binz Engleman Road, Nursery Road, Coliseum Road.

Gates will be manned by military police. 100% vehicle inspections will be condacted, vihicle access to the installation will be authorized for those with

appropriate vehicle registration, occupants with official Department of Defense identification.

Threat Condition Charlie will be effective until further directed by the installation commander.

HISTORY

Fort Sam Houston was founded in 1845 and named for General Sam Houston, hero of the battle of San Jacinto and first president of the Republic of Texas. Fort Sam Houston is unique among Army posts. On one hand, it is a major, active military installation and plays a vital role in the defense of the United States. On the other hand, it contains some of the oldest structures on any Army installation. This blend of old and new gives today's soldiers a share of the post's history which dates back more than 150 years.

PERSHING HOUSE.

The Pershing House is named for General John J. Pershing (1860-1948), one of its most famous residents. The only soldier to have the rank "General of the Armies," General Pershing commanded the American expeditionary forces during World War I. He occupied the quarters that now bear his name. The Pershing House continues to be the home of the senior Army officer at Fort Sam Houston.

THE QUADRANGLE.

The Quadrangle is an enclosed park-like area that houses the clock tower, offices, and blacksmith shop. Deer and fowl roam freely as visitors wander through the enclosure. It is listed in the National Register of Historical Sites and bears a Texas state historical building landmark.

TELEPHONE ACCESS

All phone numbers listed in this guide are in the (210) area code unless otherwise noted. The operator may be reached commercially by calling (210) 221-1211 or through the DSN system by calling 471-1211. For the Brooke Army Medical Center Information Desk call (210) 916-4141 or DSN 429-4141. Fort Sam Houston Toll Free number 1-800-531-1114 may be used for official business (5 minutes only) the operator will transfer to any number on post.

Must Know Items

For more information on this subject: Fort Sam Houston Web page

http://www.cs.amedd.army.mil

BIENVENIDO TO FORT SAM HOUSTON & SAN ANTONIO!!!

Upon arrival at Fort Sam Houston, officers should sign the register at the headquarters unit or activity to which they have been assigned. Enlisted soldiers should sign in at their orderly room or with the charge of quarters of the organization to which they have been assigned or attached. All soldiers, officers and enlisted, should check with their unit personnel NCO reference security processing.

Permanent Party soldiers in-processing should report to Personnel in building 367 at 0720 and should bring their 201 file, health and dental records, assignment memorandum from the company, duty memorandum, education records (if applicable), leave form (DA-31) signed by approving authority, orders, and payroll suspense documents envelope (DA-2356).

Fort Sam Houston Sponsorship Program. The program is managed by the Directorate of Military Personnel. Those soldiers who are relocating to Fort Sam Houston and have not been assigned a sponsor should call (210) 221-2696 or (210) 221-0543. Sponsorship for Civilians is the responsibility of the gaining supervisor, call (210) 221-1425.

Fort Sam Houston Post Office is located in building 368, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234. The hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 08:30 a.m. to 17:00 p.m., and Saturday from 08:30 a.m. to noon. For additional information please call 1-800-275-8777.

Fort Sam Houston has a new convenient guest house for temporary lodging. For reservations call COMM: (210) 357-2705 ext 2000 or 1-800-462-7691. (NO DSN, PLEASE DON'T CHANGE THE NUMBER TO DSN). The suite has A/C, microwave, refrigerator, color TV and maid service. If guest house is full, relocating personnel must obtain a non-availability statement before making reservations at off post hotels/motels.

Finance, Personnel, Housing, Security, Vehicle Registration, and Transportation are located in building 367 to serve your relocation needs. For more information or assistance call information at (210) 221-9274/9268 or DSN: 471-9274/9268.

Need a REALTOR? There is an approved and authorized Realtor on duty full time at the In/Out processing Center to help with off-post rental and

home purchases. These services are available FREE of charge. For additional information call Coldwell Banker D'Ann Harper Realtors at DSN 421-8539, COMM (210) 295-8539 or Toll free 1-888-789-MOVE.

If a utility waiver is needed, please report to Housing Division, Bldg 367. Please bring the following documents. If renting; copy of the orders and copy of rental agreement, if buying a home; copy of the orders and settlement agreement. For additional information please call COMM:(210)221-2381/0833/2341 DSN: 471-2381/0833/2341 or FAX COMM: (210)221-2626 or DSN: 471-2626.

The newly arriving soldier and family members should be aware that the Army Community Service Relocation Assistance Program and Lending Closet are specially designed to make their transition into our community an easier, more pleasant experience.

One of the fastest ways to know where things are is to participate in the "TRAILS AND TALES TOUR OF FORT SAM HOUSTON." Experience ghosts to high tech as you drive by and visit sites of our historic post. You can register at the Newcomers' Extravaganza table.

Another program highly recommended for newcomers and their family members is the "Fort Sam Houston Extravaganza" designed to help you become acquainted with our community.

ATTENTION NEWCOMERS: The Newcomers' Extravaganza is "MANDATORY" for all permanent party inprocessing soldiers, LTC and below to attend the Newcomers' Extravaganza within 60 days of their arrival. Please see the enclosed schedule.

FY 2002 NEWCOMERS' EXTRAVAGANZAS:

29 JAN 26 FEB 26 MAR 30 APR

28 MAY 25 JUN 30 JUL 27 AUG

24 SEP 29 OCT 26 NOV DEC-NONE

For assistance or information on these programs or other services available on post, call the ACS, Relocation Manager at (210) 221-2705/2418, DSN 471-2418/2705 or E-mail: site4405.fshtx@cen.amedd.army.mil

SCHOOLS:

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Students must attend the school in the area in which they reside except where otherwise allowed by School Board policy. In Texas, children must be four years old on or before Sept 1, 2001 to enroll in prekinder, five years old on or before 1 September to be enrolled in the kindergarten program and must be six years old, on or before September 1 of the year the child enters the first grade.

The criteria for enrollment in the school's prekindergarten (four-year-old classes) are:

- 1. unable to speak and comprehend the English language as measured on an English proficiency test and/or
- 2. from a family whose income is at or below subsistence. The district will apply the same formula used to qualify students for free or reduced price lunches under the national school lunch program.
- 3 a copy of the latest LES statement and a copy of spouses latest pay voucher, if applicable.

NOTE: The FY01-02 School year begins August 7 and ends on May 30, however there are some school districts that will begin a few days early/late so this change the last day of school. For additional information, please see Public and DODDS Schools topic and contact individual districts via mail, phone, fax, or E-mail or see school distric Website.

DOCUMENTS NEEDED WHEN ENROLLMENT: Parents need to bring:

- 1. Certificate of immunization.
- 2. Copy of birth Certificate.
- 3. Social Security card for the student.
- 4. Report card from previous school.
- 5. Other school records from previous school.

FY01-02 HOLIDAYS:

Christmas Break: 20 December 2001 - 3 January 2002

Spring Break: 11-15 March 2002 Graduation Date: 31 May 2002

FY00-01 SEMESTERS (QUARTERS) DATES:

- First semester, 13 August 2001-21 September 2001
- <> Second semester, 24 September 2001-2 November 2001
- Third semester, 5 November 2001-19 December 2001
- Fourth semester, 8 January 2002-15 February 2002

- Fifth semester, 19 February 2002-12 April 2002
- Sixth semester, 15 April 2002-30 May 2002.

IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION:

The following current immunizations are required:

- ~POLIO 3 doses (under 18 months, with one dose after age 4).
- ~DPT/TD 3 doses (with one dose after age 4 and one in the last 10 years). ~MEASLES all students must have vaccine by first birthday or provide a physicians' validated history of measles.
- ~ A Mumps vaccination is required for all students through grade seven.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

In order to be eligible for graduation, students must pass the minimum skills test for the state of Texas. This requirement is in addition to completion of graduation credit requirements. Special education students may be exempt from the basic skills requirement according to guidelines detailed in administrative regulations.

HIGH SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS:

The high school graduation requirements in the state of Texas for the general program and an example of an advanced program for one of the school districts follow (Please call the school you will attend for more specific minimum requirements):

SUBJECT-----MINIMUM CREDIT------ADVANCED CREDITS.

English4
Mathematics3
Science3
Social Studies1
World Geography1
History/US History1
Economics1/21/2
Physical Education1-1/21-1/2
Health1/21/2
Elective Subjects73
Fine Arts or Speech1
Foreign Languages2
Computer Science1

PRE-KINDERGARDEN:

Some school district offers free public prekindergarten for all children who:

- (1) Reside within the boundaries of the school district.
- (2) Are at least four years old as of 1 September of current year.
- (3) Are unable to speak and comprehend the English language as measured on an English proficiency test, and/or from a family whose income is at or below subsistence.

The district will apply the same formula used to qualify students for free or reduced price lunches under the national school lunch program.

KINDERGARTEN:

- (1) Some school district offers free kindergarten for all children who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, of current year and who reside within the boundaries of the school district. Children will be enrolled in either the morning session, or the afternoon session. Monday through Friday.
- (2) A child is eligible for enrollment in kindergarten or first grade in public school in another state prior to transferring to a Texas public school.

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

Students with disabilities are guaranteed an equal opportunity for a free and appropriate public education. Services are provided in the least restrictive environment appropriate to meet individual student needs.

Students who are ages three through twenty-one with one or more of the following disabilities may be eligible for special education.

- -Learning Disability-----Visual Impairment
- -Emotional Disturbance-----Speech Impairment
- -Orthopedic Impairment-----Mental Retardation
- -Auditory Impairement------Deaf Blind
- -Multiple Disabilities-----Autism
- -Traumatic Brain Injury.

Students who are visually impaired, Hearing impaired, or both, may be served from birth through twenty=one years of age.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THIS TOPIC, PLEASE SEE SPECIAL EDUCATION SECTION ON THIS BOOK.

EXTENDED DAY CARE FACILITIES:

Many day care facilities provide drop-off/pick-up for children to/from school, and care for them until parents can pick them up.

In accordance with the Texas Education Agency day care facilities are not mandated to provided this services. This is an individual arrangement between parents and the child care facility.

Some private schools have after school programs in place. For additional information on child care facilities, please refer to the yellow pages.

REFER TO THE EDUCATION CATEGORY FOR MORE IN DEPTH INFORMATION

Must Know Items

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	Installation		
Site Name	Fort Sam Houston		
Last Updated	February 24, 2003		
State/Territory	Texas		
County	Bexar		
ZIP Code	78234-5095		
Service	USA		
Host Command			
Physical Size	31000		
	Personnel		
FSC/ACS Director	RITA DALTON		
Relocation Assistance	ALICIA V. TYSON		
Manager			
Relocation Assistance	JUTTA A. AVILES		
Specialist			
	Phones		
DSN Country Code			
DSN Number	471-2418		
Commercial Country Code			
Commercial Area Code	(210)		
Commercial Number	221-2418		
FAX DSN Country Code			
FAX DSN Number	471-2040		
FAX Commercial Country			
Code			
FAX Commercial Area Code	(210)		
FAX Commercial Number	221-2040		
Offi	cial Mailing Address		
Street Line 1	DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY		
	ACTIVITIES		
Street Line 2	ATTN: MCCS-BCA-AC, 1212 STANLEY		
	RD,BLDG 2797, STE 95		
City	Fort Sam Houston		
State/Territory	TX		
ZIP Code	78234-5095		
Deliverable Address			
Street Line 1			
Street Line 2			
City			
State/Territory			
ZIP Code			
E-Mail	site4405.fshtx@cen.amedd.army.mil		
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Geographically Separated or Satellite Locations

Satellite	Command	Distance	Associated Site Name
748Th MI Group	MEDCOM	50 MILES	Fort Sam Houston
Camp Bullis	MEDCOM	20 MILES	Fort Sam Houston
Camp Stanley-Fort Sam	MEDCOM	20 MILES	Fort Sam Houston
Houston			
USA 5Th Recuiting Brigade	SAME	ON/OFF	Fort Sam Houston
		POST	

Nearby Installations (Listed Separately in SITES)

Fort Sam Houston is one of the five installations located in San Antonio, Texas. For more information on the other installations refer to the chart below.

Nearby Installations (Listed Separately in SITES)

State/Country	Site Name	Service	Distance
Texas	Brooks City-Base	USAF	
Texas	Lackland AFB	USAF	
Texas	Randolph AFB	USAF	

Regulations

ATTENTION: Newcomers!

Whether you are assigned to the U.S. Army Medical Command, Fifth U.S. Army, U.S. Army Medical Department Center and School, Brooke Army Medical Center, 5th Recruiting Brigade, or another of the tenant organizations, one of the first things you need to be familiar with will be the FORT SAM HOUSTON PAMPHLET 600-1. This pamphlet has been prepared to assist you in understanding the basic Fort Sam Houston rules and policies that applies to all military personnel regardless of service.

Name: Animal Licensing
POC: Animal Control Facil
Address: 201 Tuleta (across the San Antonio Zoo)
City: San Antonio, TX
Phone: (210) 737-1442
Comments:

NOTE: San Antonio has a leash law; your dog must be either on a leash or in a fenced yard.

Vaccinations and licensing for dogs and cats are required by the City of San Antonio. If your pet has a current vaccination certificate, bring it for licensing to the Animal Control Facility. You may also obtain your pet's license from a local veterinarian at the time of vaccination. The Animal Defense League has "vaccination drives" and pets can receive shots at reduced rates, call (210) 655-1373. You may adopt a dog or cat next door at the ADL's Adoption Center call (210)655-1481 or at the Humane Society at (210) 226-7461.

Name: Driver's License (State)

POC: Texas Dept of Public Safety

Address: 9834 Perrin-Beitel Rd City: San Antonio, TX 78217

Phone: (210)655-8102

Comments:

Hours of operation: Mon-Fri 0730-1730.

Active duty military and family members who have a valid driver's license from their home state have 30 days to report the new address and obtain a Texas driver's license.

To obtain a Texas driver's license, it is only necessary to take the written test, if the present driver's license is current and valid. However, if the driver's license has expired, if only by one day, then the driving test will also have to be taken. If you own a vehicle, to obtain a Texas driver's license, you need to show proof of insurance and Texas registration. Three other locations to obtain a driver's license are listed in the blue-edged pages of the San Antonio Telephone Directory under Government Office-State, Texas Department of Public Safety.

LIABILITY INSURANCE:

In Texas, automobiles must be covered by minimum limits of liability insurance in accordance with the Texas Motor Safety Responsibility Act of 1981. Minimum limits are \$20,000 to \$40,000 bodily injury liability and \$15,000 property damage liability. There are required for any licensed motor vehicle. Current proof of financial responsibility is required (usually automobile insurance) to obtain or renew a driver's license, register a car, and upon issuance of an inspection sticker.

Note: The minimum age for driving in Texas and Fort Sam Houston is 16 years with drivers education.

Name: Firearm Registration
Address: Bldg 367, Stanley St
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2570

Comments:

Privately owned firearms (POFs) will be registered if the POF is going to be maintained on the installation for more than three duty days after arrival or after obtaining the POF, it must be registered by the end of the third duty day. POFs and privately owned ammunition (POA) will be stored in the unit arms storage areas. Under no circumstances will POFs or POA be stored in vehicles or unit billeting areas.

NOTE: Exceptions and more guidance to the above policies are listed in FSH Regulation 190-7.

Name: Pass and ID (Site)

Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210)221-0415

Comments:

To obtain a new ID card for family members, have sponsor fill out DD Form 1172 and bring it to building 367 ID section. Must arrive by 1500 to get ID the sameday. Hours of operation: Mon - Fri 0730-1600 (after 12:00 by appointment only).

Name: Physical Security & Military Police

Investigations

Address: Bldg 2250, 1st floor.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234 **Phone:** (210) 221-1460/0213/0939

Comments:

Hours: Monday through Friday 0715-1600.

The Physical Security Specialists are available for guidance on storage of arms, ammunition, and security of government property. They also provide assistance in establishing key control procedures. Other services include issuing electric engravers for purpose of Operation Identification, conducting post lighting surveys, and Physical Security inspections.

The Military Police Investigations (MPI) Division is also located on the first floor. MPI conducts Military Police Investigations and operates a Lost and Found Property service. Anyone attempting to locate missing property should call this section Monday through Friday, 0730-1600 or call the above number.

The AWOL Apprehension Section is located on the first floor in building 2250, telephone (210)221-2222.

Name: Provost Marshal Office

POC: Military Police (MP) Station

Address: Bldg 2244, New Braunfels Ave and

Wilson Road

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2222

Comments:

The MP Station is open 24 hours every day. To report a crime or for other law enforcement issues, dial 221-2222. You can anonymously report crimes by dialing 221-CLUE. Dial 911 in case of emergencies. Remember, 911 is available on government telephones as well as your quarters telephone. If you reside in post quarters and are going on leave or TDY for an extended period of time, you may call the MP Station for the House Watch program. MPs will periodically check your quarters and ensure they are secured.

The following divisions and branches are also located in the MP Station:

The Operation division performs the daily police support missions such as patrolling, manning and securing checkpoints, traffic enforcement, accident investigations, and monitoring alarm systems.

The Police Administration Branch performs administrative tasks associated with daily PMO operations. This Branch also processes and controls MP reports (MPRs) and other PMO-related correspondence. Duty hours are from 0715-1600, Monday through Friday. The telephone number is 221-2907.

The Traffic Section conducts traffic surveys and supports special events. Coordination must be made through the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security (DPTMSEC) to request traffic support for these special events.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

MILITARY POLICE - 221-2222 OR 911

FIRE DEPARTMENT - 221-2727 OR 911

AMBULANCE - 916-5500 OR 911

BAMC EMERGENCY - 916-4466

ENGINEER WORK ORDER - 221-3144

Name: Vehicle Inspections

Comments:

Annual automobile inspections are required and must be compleated before registering the automobile in Texas or obtaining a Texas license plate. Vehicle inspections are done at some local gas stations and cost \$10.50 for in-state and \$11.50 for out-state automobiles.

Name: Vehicle Registration (State)

POC: Bexar County Tax Offices

Address: 3330 Nacogdoches, or 666 SW Military

Dr.

6812 Banders Road

City: San Antonio, TX 78207

Phone: (210) 335-2251/335-6627

Comments:

Hours of Operation: Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri- 0800 to

1845. Wed- 0800 to 1645.

To register a car in Texas, first have the car inspected at an authorized inspection station. Bring the green inspection certificate, along with the title or registration (if there is a lienholder), and proof of insurance to one of the Tax Assessor's offices. (The one listed above is closest office to Fort Sam Houston). NOTE: You can have your car inspected at the Service Station on post located at 2610 Scott & Schofield Rds. For additional information call 228-9001.

For registration of vehicles owned or operated by permanently assigned military personnel, their family members, full time DOD civilians, NAF employees, and retirees is voluntary. Visit the Central In and Out Processing Center, Bldg 367, at Fort Sam Houston. Duty hours are 0730-1600, Monday through Friday. The following documents are required for registration:

- > A valid state driver's license for the class of vehicle being registered.
- > An original of your Vehicle Registration Receipt and proof of insurance. Copies of these documents are not adequate.
- > A valid military or DOD civilian ID card.
- > Motorcycle operators must also have attended a Motorcycle Defensive Driving Course and possess a Motorcycle Operator's Safety Test (MOST) card, recognized by the Installation Safety Officer.

Reservists, contractors, vendors, and students are not required to register their vehicles.

Commonly Referenced Numbers

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The Brooke Army Medical Center Information Desk (210) 916-4141 or DSN 429-4141.

Fort Sam Houston; TOLL-FREE number is 1-800-531-1114 is to be use for official business only (5 minutes limit) operator will transfer to any number on post.

Commonly Referenced Numbers

	y Referenced Numbers	DCN
Name	Commercial	DSN 471 2200/4262
Academy Chapel	(210) 221-3390/4362	471-3390/4362
Accounting and Finance	(210) 527-8781	471 2025
Accounting and Finance Reserve Finance Unit	(210) 221-2025	471-2025
Accounting and Finance- Civilian	(210) 221- 2905	471 2005
	(210) 221- 2905	471-2905
Pay Accounting and Finance- Military	(210) 295-8724/8793	_
Pay	(210) 293-8724/8793	-
Accounting and Finance- Travel	(210) 527-8234	
Pay	(210) 327-8234	
Airport Shuttle (STAR Shuttle)	(210) 341-6000	(Door to Door)
American Red Cross (ARC)	(210) 221-3355	471-3355. After
7 micrican red cross (rire)	(210) 221 3333	duty hours (210)
		224-5151
Army Career and Alumni	(210) 221-1213	471-1213
Program		
Army Community Service	(210) 221-2418/2705	471-2418/2705
Army Continuing Education	(210) 221-1738	471-1738
System (ACES)		
Army Emergency Relief	(210) 221-1612	471-1612
BAMC Chapel	(210) 916-1105	429-1105
Bank of America	(210) 978-5000	-
Billeting-Unaccompanied	(210) 357-2705 or 1-800-	
Personnel Housing	462-7691	
Billeting/Guest House	(210) 357-2705 ext	NO DSN
	2000/2016, 1-800-462-7691	NUMBER, DON'T
		CHANGE, 1-800-
		462-7691
Bowling Lanes.	(210) 221-4740/3683	471-3683
Budge Dental Clinic	(210) 295-4677/4678/4679	421-
D. I.C. d. MIA	(210) 262 2020	4677/4678/4679
Bus Information - VIA	(210) 362-2020	-
Bus Station - Greyhound	1-800-454-2487	-
Canyon Lake Reservations	1-888-882-9878 or (830) 964-3318	-
Car Rental - ADVANTAGE	(210) 223-6229	
		420,0000
Central Appointments Central Appointments	(210) 916-9900 (210) 916-3444 or 1-800-	429-9900 429-2262
Cancellations	443-2262	429-2202
Chamber of Commerce	(210) 229-2100	_
Champus-Tricare	(210) 916-1876	429-1876
Chaplain	(210) 221-5006/5007	471-5006/5007
Child Development Center	(210) 221-4871/5002	471-4871/5002
Civilian Personnel Office,	(210) 221-1425	471-1425
Director	/	
Civilian Personnel Office- Job	(210) 221-2166	471-2166
Information Office (APF)		
Civilian Personnel Office- Job	(210) 221-2685	471-2685
Information Ofice (NAF)		
Commissary	(210) 221-5626/4678	
Defensive Driving Class	(210) 681-8655	-
Eisenhower National Bank	(210) 227-7131	

	T (210) 221 2110	1
Family Advocacy Manager	(210) 221-2418	471-2418
Family Care Clinic	(210) 295-4888	
Family Life Ministry Center	(210) 221-5432	471-5432
Gas Station	(210) 228-9748	
Hospital - (Wilford Hall) Air	(210) 292-7100	-
Force		
Hospital-(Brooke Army Medical	(210) 916-4141	429-4141
Center)		
Housing Office	(210) 221-0833/2341	471-0833/2341
ID Cards	(210) 221-0415/0834	471-0415/0834,
		Call for hours and
		appointments
IN/OUT PROCESSING	(210) 221-9274/2072	471-9274/2072
(Permanent-Party)		
IN/OUT PROCESSING	(210) 221-3123/4066	471-3123/4066
(Students)		
Immigration and Naturalization	1-800-375-5283	-
Service (INS)		
Info Tickets & Reservations	(210) 527-0848	
Internal Revenue Service	1-800-829-3676 or 1-800-	=
	829-1040	
Jimmy Brought Fitness Center	(210) 221-1234	471-1234
Legal Office	(210) 221-2282/2353	471-2282/2353
Locator - Civilian	(210) 221-1268	471-1268
Locator - Military	(210) 221-3302	471- 3302
Locator - Military Worldwide	(317) 570-3644	-
Main Chapel.	(210) 221-9680	471-9680
Main Exchange	(210) 225-5566	471-5566
Military Clothing Store	(210) 221-3794	471-3794
Military Rent-All	(210) 227-7433	
Morale Welfare and Recreation	(210) 221-2523	471- 2523
NCO/Enlisted Club	(210) 224-2721	
Officers' and Civilians' Club	(210) 224-4211	
Outdoor Equipment Center	(210) 221-5224/5225	471-5224/5225
Passport Photos - with orders	221-1656/1629	-
Passport Photos - with out orders	(210) 224-2405	-
Pharmacy - Main	(210) 916-1536	429-1536
Pharmacy - Refill	(210) 295-8700	-
Post Office	1-800-275-8777	_
Rhoades Dental Clinic	(210) 295-8740/8593	429-8740/8593
Riding Stables	(210) 221-3795 or 224-7207	471-3795
San Antonio Credit Union	(210) 258-1111	111 3173
Shoppette/Walters St.	(210) 225-0216/0217	
Social Security Office	1-800-772-1213	_
Social Work Counseling	(210) 916-3020	429-3020
Space Available Travel - Kelly,	(210) 910-3020	743-3040
AFB	(210) 925-0/15	_
Space Available Travel-	(210) 652-5289	-
Randolph, AFB		
Staff Duty Officer - 5th U.S.	(210) 221-2955	471-2955
ARMY		
Staff Duty Officer - AMEDDC&S	(210) 221-5965/4996	471-5965/4996
Staff Duty Officer - BAMC	(210) 916-4141	429-4141
Staff Duty Officer - USAG-	(210) 221-9274/9268	-
Sair Day Officer Obrio	(210) 221)217/200	1

TRICARE-DENTAL	(800) 866-8499	-
TRICARE-MEDICAL	(800) 406-2832	-
(Foundation Health)		
Taxi (on-post)	(210) 222-2222	
Thrift Shop	(210) 225-4682	
Train Station - AMTRAK	1-800-872-7245	-
Transition Services Office	(210) 221- 2964	471-2964
Transportation Mgr	(210) 221-2649/2661	471-2649/2661
Travel Camp	(210) 221-5502	471-5502
Travel Office - Military Official	(210) 225-5370	
Travel Office-(Leisure)	(210) 225-5261	
Vehicle Registration - OFF Post	(210) 335-2251	=
Vehicle Registration - On Post	(210)221-9205	471-9205
Veterinary Service	(210) 295-4260	421-4260
Voter Registration	(210) 335-6625	=
Voter Registration	(210) 335-0362	=
WIC Program	(210) 822-6929 or 804-2096	-
Western Union at AAFES	(210) 226-5462	-
Yellow Taxi	226-4242	
Youth Activities Center	(210) 221-4882	471-4882

Major Unit Listing

Major Commands.

HQ, U.S. 5TH ARMY.

Fifth U.S. Army is headquartered in the historic Quadrangle at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, in San Antonio, with the majority of its people forward deployed throughout its 21-state area of responsibility. The command's mission is to assist, evaluate and synchronize all training support activities of Reserve Component (RC) units west of the Mississippi (excluding Minnesota). Fifth Army also directs mobilization and deployment planning, and, on order, executes mobilization operations. The command also plans for and coordinates Military Support to Civil Authorities (MSCA).

U.S. ARMY 5TH RECRUITING BRIGADE.

The Brigade's mission is to recruit with integrity the high quality men and women necessary to meet the needs of the United States Army and Army Reserve, including AMEDD, Chaplains, Officer Candidates, Warrant Officer Flight Candidates, and Technical Warrant Officers (USAR).

BROOKE ARMY MEDICAL CENTER (BAMC).

Brooke Army Medical Center has a regional mission as one of only five Army Medical Centers providing regional integration, specialty supervision and army command and control of health care operations. BAMC oversees the Great Plains Health Care Support area which encompasses 14 states and Panama. The BAMC Commander is responsible for the command and control of nine medical treatment facilities in this area. He also manages and coordinates activities related to the medical readiness of active Army, National Guard and Army Reserve medical units.

U.S. ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT CENTER & SCHOOL (AMEDDC&S).

Occupying more than 300 buildings in its complex at Fort Sam Houston, the AMEDDC&S is the largest health care training center in the world. The primary mission is to train and educate Army medical department officers and enlisted personnel.

U.S. ARMY MEDICAL COMMAND (MEDCOM).

The U.S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM) took over the buildings and personnel of the 21-year-old U.S. Army Health Services Command (HSC), which was deactivated.

The MEDCOM gives the Surgeon General direct command authority, for the first time, over all Army medical activities and operations in the U.S. and Europe, except field medical units.

The MEDCOM comprises more than 80 medical activities, and eight Army Medical Centers (MEDCENs) in the U.S., including Brooke Army

Medical Center, with its world-famous burn center, and a ninth in Landstuhl, Germany. There are 28 installation Medical Department Activities (MEDDACs), including Heidelberg and Wuerzburg in Germany.

CAMP BULLIS.

This sub-post of Fort Sam Houston was used as a target maneuver area during 1917 and target range for troops during World War I. It is currently a training area for Active and Reserve Forces as well as other federal agencies and covers about 27,000 acres of rugged Texas hill country.

U.S. ARMY GARRISON (USAG).

The USAG missions include command and support of assigned and attached FORSCOM activities, sub-units and sub-installations, such as Camp Bullis. Plan, coordinate and prepare for the mobilization and deployment of Reserve Component Units. Support the deployment of active component and mobilized Reserve Component Units. Provide base operation

support and other support (e.g. information systems, security programs, motor pool, contracting, legal services, civilian personnel services) to Department of the Army, Department of Defense and other government activities which are tenants on, supported by, or satellites of the installation. Develop, establish and conduct Morale Support Activities programs.

U.S. ARMY CENTER BRIGADE.

The Center Brigade provides the U.S. Army with trained and ready medical soldiers capable of sustaining the force and surviving on the battlefield. The Brigade is composed of the 187th Medical Battalion, 232nd Medical Battalio, and Academy Battalion. Our mission is to command, control, and provide administrative training and logistical support to all assigned or attached personnel. We serve as the G-3 Operations for the AMEDDC&S; execute brigade mobilization and contingency plans; monitor the training program for all permanent party personnel; and execute brigade support to contigency operations, the AMEDDC&S, and Fort Sam Houston.

Major Unit Listing

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Unit	Command	Point of Contact	Commercial	DSN	Fax
147th Medical Logistics Battalion		Commander	(210) 221- 0250/1350	471-0250/1350	
187th Medical BN		Commander	(210) 221- 4996/5965	471-4996/5965	(210) 221- 4509 or DSN 471-4509
232nd Medical BN		Commander	(210) 221- 3125/5851	471-3125/5851	(210) 221- 3589 or DSN 471-3589
314th MI BN	Commander		(210) 671-0958	477-0958	(210) 671- 0600
323d Army Band		Commander	(210) 221- 0596/0897	471-0596/0897	
416th Engineer Command		Commander	221-2589/1124	471-2589/1124	471-2057
5450th RTU		Commander	(210)221- 1146/0035	471-1146/0035	
75th Division, 2nd Inf Bde	Commander		(210) 221- 9977/9400/0102	471- 9977/9400/010 2	(210) 221- 2586 or DSN 471-2586
797th Ordinance Company EOD		Commander	(210) 221- 9535/1004	471-9535/1004	
79th Ordinance Det.		Commander	(210) 221- 1308/2457	471-1308/2457	
90th Regional Support Group		Commander	(210) 221- 5546/3609	471-5546/3609	
AMEDD Center and School		Commander	(210) 221-8317	471-8317	471-8744
Brooke Army Medical Center		Commander	(210) 916- 9720/9734	429-9720/9734	(210) 916- 9732
Camp Bullis Training Site		Commander	(210) 295- 7622/7611	421-7622/7611	(210)295-7536
Co A, USAG		Commander	(210) 221- 0808/1228	471-0808/1228	(210)295-8558
FSH- Field Ofc Sixth Region USACIDC		Commander.	(210) 221-2306	471-2306	
HQ Co, USAG		Commander	(210) 221-0185	471-0185	
HQ, CMD, USAG, Special Troops BN		Commander	(210) 221-2560	471-0090/2560	295-0673
HQ, Fifth U.S. Army		Commander	(210) 221- 1865/0156	471-1865/0156	(210)295-9947
HQ, U.S. Army Garrison (USAG)		Commander	(210) 221- 0905/1832	471-0905/1832	(210)221-1744
HQ, USA 5th RCTG BDE (SW)		Commander	(210) 221- 1444/1114	471-1444/1114	471-0801
Military Entrance	US MEPCOM	1SGT	(210) 295-9031		(210) 295- 9101

Processing Station, HQ				
Physical Evaluation Board	Commander	(210) 221-1811	471-1811	
U.S. Army Center Brigade	Commander	(210) 221- 5105/3604	471-5105/3604	(210) 221- 5397 or DSN 471-5397
U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research	Commander	(210) 916-3219	429-3219	
U.S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM)	Commander	(210) 221-6936	471-6936	
U.S. Army Reserve/South Central Spt		(210) 221-0379	471-0379	
USA VETCOM	Commander	(210) 221-8631	471-8631	(210) 221- 6519 or 471- 6519

Transportation

All taxi companies service Fort Sam Houston. Although taxi drivers are not permitted to "cruise" to the post, they can be "hailed" on post. There is a taxi stand located at the Main Exchange.

For additional Taxi telephone numbers see topic "Commonly Referenced Numbers."

Site Shuttle Buses

BAMC and AHS Bus Routes

Anyone with official business on post can use shuttle buses. No ID is required. There is no shuttle bus service to off post sites. There are two shuttle bus routes on post; one is the BAMC or "Hospital Route" and the other is the AHS Route "Brigade Route."

The "Hospital Route" services most of the clinics on post, the Finance Office, the Military Police Station, and the Army Community Service.

The "Brigade Route" services the troop areas, Troop Dispensary, Dental Clinics, Military Clothing Sales Store and the Main Exchange.

The routes are approximately 30-35 minutes. To obtain a shuttle bus map go to Army Community Service located at Bldg 2797, Stanley Road.

Name: VIA Metropolitan Transit
Address: 800 West Myrtle St.
City: San Antonio, TX 78212
Phone: (210) 362-2020

Comments:

Provides public transportation to Fort Sam Houston from most metropolitan areas. Bus service is reliable, where it is routed.

Tickets are purchased at a base price plus an extra charge per zone. VIA has special buses for those with limited mobility. Call for additional information.

Commissary and Exchange Operations

The Fort Sam Houston community enjoys a renovated PX and a state-of-the-art commissary. The commissary offers wide variety of food items from fresh seafood, fresh baked goods and deli items. Special services are available from the deli and produce departments. Meat trays and vegetable trays are available for your parties with a 24-48 hour special order request.

Name: Alterations
Address: Bldg 4188

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 222-0508

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0930-1900, Sat 0930-1430, Sun

Closed.

Name: Commissary

Address: Bldg 360, 2405 Funston Road

City: Fort Sm Houston, TX 78234 **Phone:** (210) 221-5626/4678/4682

Comments:

Hours: Mon-1100-2100 Tues-Fri 0900-2100

> Sat 0800-2100 Sun 1000-1700.

Name: Convenience Stores/ Shoppette.

Address: Bldg 890, Patch Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 225-3589

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Sat 0600-2300, and Sun 0630-2300.

Name: Dry Cleaner

Address: Bldg 2735, Harney Rd. City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 228-9901

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0930-1800 and Sat 0930-1700.

Sun CLOSED.

Name: Main Exchange.

Address: Bldg 2420, Scott & Allen Rds.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 225-5566

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Sat 0900-2100 and Sun 1000-1900.

Name: Photo Processing

Address: Bldg 2420

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 212-5453

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Sat 0900-2100, Sun 1000-1700.

Name: Shoe Repair

Address: Bldg 366, Reynolds Rd City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 354-2223

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Sat 0900-1900 and Sun 1000-1700.

Local Community

Local Community Overview

For more information on this subject: Information about San Antonio Texas http://www.sanantonio.com

BIENVENIDOS! Welcome to San Antonio!

Opportunities and conveniences of a modern city, a unique blend of space-age technology and old-fashioned charm, plus a rich military heritage and a warm welcome await the new military resident.

San Antonio has long been a place where the combination of climate and open spaces has attracted people. The city is ideally located on the edge of the Gulf Coast Plains, enjoying warm sunny days often exceeding 90 degrees during the summer. Moderate humidity tends to lower temperature extremes typical of the southwest. Sub-freezing temperatures occur only about 20 days out of the year.

San Antonio still offers much of the same life enjoyed by inhabitants ages ago. The conveniences of a modern city give way to room for growth like few other areas.

The city's estimated population is 1,192,900. San Antonio's Standard Metropolitan Statistical area includes the combined population of Bexar pronounced "bear", Comal and Guadalupe counties. This combined population totals more than 1.6 million (source: Planning Department, City of San Antonio).

The city offers plentiful and reasonable priced energy, proximity to higher education facilities, good transportation and reasonable tax structure as advantages to living in one of the nation's largest cities.

The local economy is based primarily on government employment, tourism, trade, agriculture, manufacturing, medicine and extraction of natural resources.

WATCH OUT:

LOW WATER CROSSINGS:

Low water crossings are marked by a large rulerlike device sticking out of the ground. Drivers are urged, expecially in sudden and violent thunderstorms during spring and fall, to heed these warnings. Because of the intensity of these storms, many areas and roads flood quickly. Cars often stall in these low-water crossings, and people have been swept to their deaths by swift currents.

SUNSTROKE AND HEATSTROKE:

The Texas sun is deceptively sneaky; you can get too much of it fast. In summer, temperatures get up into the nineties and to more the 100 degrees, and is not to be taken lightly. When it's sunny and hot, be sure to stay out of the sun as much as possible, wear a hat, drink plenty of water and cover exposed skin or wear sunblock. Joggers shouldn't be out in the daytime when it's much over 80 degrees and humidity is high.

Indeed, it's a good idea to take it easy on any outdoor physical activity in the afternoon and early evening when it's hot.

Name: Finding your way around San Antonio
POC: Map Quest
WWW Link: http://www.mapquest.com

Name: How to research the internet
POC: Internet Questions
WWW Link: http://www.searchiq.com

Name: Information about San Antonio
POC: For Anything in San
WWW Link: http://www.sanantonio.com

Time Zone Chart

Fort Sam Houston, TX, is located in the Central Standard Time Zone.

Time Zone Chart

Location	Adjustment for GMT			
Pacific	-8			
Mountain	-7			
Central	-6			
Eastern	-5			
Greenwich (United Kingdom)	0			
Central European (Germany)	1			
East Asia (Japan)	9			

Climate

San Antonio's climate is subtropical with an average winter temperature of 50 degrees. Precipitation is usually in the form of rain or light drizzle, but some freezing does occur.

Measurable snowfall normally occurs only once every three or four years. While the temperature in the summer averages 85 degrees, it often exceeds 90. Fortunately, temperatures over 100 are rare. The humidity varies from an average of 80 percent in the early morning to an average afternoon level of 50 percent.

Temperature Range:

Summer ranges from low 70-F to the upper 90-F. Winter ranges from low 20-F to the upper 50-F.

Annual precipitation: The city averages about 30 inches of rain a year; the heaviest amounts normally occur during May and September.

NOTE: Beating the heat

The following precautions, offered by area physicians and the Red Cross, will help you to avoid heat exhaustion, dehydration, heatstroke and sunburn:

- > Drink water: Eight to fifteen 8 oz glasses of water or fruit juice with a 50% water-juice concentration during the day.
- > Wear cool fabrics such as natural fibers in light colors.
- > Wear a wide-brimmed pat or cap.
- > Aviod dark clothing. It absorbs the heat.
- > Lather on a sunscreen with an SPF of at least 15 at least twice a day.
- > Progect your eyes with UVA sunglasses.
- > Be cautious if taking antihistamines or diuretics; they deplete body fluids rapidly.

> Avoid excessive alcohol or caffeine. These substances cause the body to lose fluid and become

dehydrated.

Climate

Month	High	Low	Humidity	Precipitation
January	60	40	56	R 1.7
February	65	42	56	R 2.0
March	72	50	52	R 1.6
April	79	59	54	R 2.9
May	85	65	58	R 3.7
June	91	71	84	R 3.4
July	94	73	82	R 1.8
August	94	73	83	R 2.4
September	89	69	83	R 3.7
October	81	60	82	R 2.3
November	70	49	56	R 2.3
December	64	43	56	R 1.7

Events Calendar

San Antonio is graced with Art, Culture, and Festivals. Look at how the city celebrates and you will see the soul of its culture. San Antonio has a year-round calendar of celebrations and performances that illuminate both the soul and the character of this 292 year-old city along a river. Some of San Antonio's cultural offerings are unique. Only in San Antonio will you find a Texas Folklife Festival or a Las Posadas along the Riverwalk at Christmas time or the dyeing of the downtown river Kelly-green for St. Patrick's Day. From January through December, San Antonio is alive with celebrations.

The San Antonio Convention & Visitors Bureau relies on information provided by attraction and event sponsors for the contents of this calendar. Please reconfirm all events and dates to avoid inconveniences. Changes and cancellations, though infrequent, do occur. For additional assistance, stop by the Visitor Information Center at 317 Alamo Plaza or telephone (210) 270-8748.

Name: Alamo Bowl	
Address: Alamodome	
City: San Antonio, TX 78205	
Phone: (210) 226-2695	
Proximity to site: 5 Miles	
Comments:	

Football game between two outstanding college teams. December.

Name: Annual Carver Jazz Festival
Address: Carver Cultural Center
City: San Antonio, TX 78205
Phone: (210) 207-3025
Comments:

This festival is famous for presenting the hottest new rising starts as well as the masters of American Jazz. August.

Name: Annual Fiesta San Antonio
Address: Throughout the City
City: San Antonio, TX 78205
Phone: (210) 227-5191
Proximity to site: 5 Miles
Comments:

The biggest celebration of the year! Ten days of parades, festivals, sporting events, band concerts, art shows, elegant balls - 150 events in all. April.

Name: Annual Jazz Alive
Address: Travis Park downtown
City: San Antonio, TX 78205
Phone: (210) 207-3025
Proximity to site: 5 Miles
Comments:
A jazz festival featuring bands from New Orleans

A jazz festival featuring bands from New Orleans and San Antonio.

Name: Annual Tejano Music Awards.

Address: The Alamodome City: San Antonio, TX 78205 **Phone:** (210) 222-8862

Proximity to site: 5 Miles

Comments:

One of the biggest and more important events for the artists and fans of Tejano music. April.

Name: Annual Texas Folklife Festival

Address: Institute of Texan Cultures

City: San Antonio, TX 78205 **Phone:** (210) 558-2300

Proximity to site: 5 Miles

Comments:

The annual celebration of the 30 cultures found in Texas. Ethnic entertainment, foods, dances, demonstrations of crafts and games. August.

Name: Christmas River Art Fair

Address: Downtown River Walk

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 227-4262 **Proximity to site:** 5 Miles

Comments:

Artisans and craftsman display their wares.

December.

Name: Diez y Seis De Septiembre

POC: Arneson River Theater

Address: Market Square, La Villita and Guadalupe

Plaza.

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 271-3151 **Proximity to site:** 5 Miles

Comments:

A celebration of Mexican independence throughout this weekend at La Villita, the Arneson River Theater, Market Square and Guadalupe Plaza.

September.

Name: Fandango

Address: Arneson River Theater

City: San Antonio, TX 78205 **Phone:** (210) 207-8610

Proximity to site: 5 Miles

Comments:

A musical revue sponsored by the San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department. Every Thursday

evening at the Arneson River Theater.

Name: Fiesta Flamenca

Address: Arneson River Theater

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 207-8610 **Proximity to site:** 5 Miles

Comments:

A musical show produced by Willie Champion, renowned flamenco guitarist, and his family. Every Sunday, Monday and Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. at the Arneson River Theater. June-August.

Name: Fiesta Noche de Rio

Address: Arneson River Theater

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 226-4651

Proximity to site: 5 Miles

Comments:

An exciting musical show held every Friday and Saturday at 8:30 p.m. at the outdoor Arneson River

Theater. May - July.

Name: Fiesta de las Luminarias

Address: Downtown on the River Walk

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 227-4262 **Proximity to site:** 5 Miles

Comments:

Thousands of candles illuminate the River Walk as dusk settles. December.

Name: Labor Day Weekend

Address: Market Square

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 207-8600

Proximity to site: 8 Miles

Comments:

The community of Market Square commemorates and celebrates the renovation of Market Square with live entertainment for this long holiday weekend.

Name: Lighting Ceremony and Holiday River

Address: Downtown on the River Walk

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 227-4262

Proximity to site: 5 Miles

Comments:

Trees and bridges illuminated by over 50,000

Christmas lights. Santa Claus arrives by river during the floating river parade, starts at 7 p.m. November.

Name: Martin Luther King March

Address: Joe and Harry Freeman Coliseum

City: San Antonio, TX Phone: (210) 434-6590 Proximity to site: 3 Miles

Comments:

March and celebration to honor the slain civil-rights leader. January.

Name: Octoberfest

Address: Beethoven Home City: San Antonio, TX Phone: (210) 222-1521

Comments:

A German festival with food, dancing, songs, and

music. October.

Name: River Art Show

Address: Downtown along the River Walk

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 226-8752

Proximity to site: 5 miles from Fort Sam Houston

Comments:

Hundreds of artists from throughout Texas display

their finest art. October

Name: San Antonio Visitor Convention

Center/Fourth of July

Address: Throughout the city

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 207-6700

Comments:

Festivals, concerts and fireworks celebrate American freedom. Please call for events

information.

Name: Shrine Circus

Address: Joe and Harry Freeman Coliseum

City: San Antonio, TX Phone: (210)362-2350 Proximity to site: 3 miles

Comments:

Circus thrills and excitment for children of all ages. The ticket booth at North Star Mall will sell tickets starting 1 Oct. Call for the locations. October.

Name: St Patrick's River Dyeing & Irish Show

Address: River Walk & Arneson River Theater

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210)497-8435 Proximity to site: 5 Miles

Comments:

To honor the fallen heroes of the Alamo, the Irish gather at 12:00 noon in front of the shrine for the Annual Wreath Laying ceremony. The Irish also celebrate by dyeing the San Antonio River green and renaming it "The River Shannon" for one day. A show of Irish dancing and music starts at 1:00 p.m. at the Arneson River Theater downtown.

March.

Name: Texas Open Golf Tournament

Address: LaCantera Golf Club

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 558-4653

Comments:

Oldest golf tournament in Texas and part of the

PGA tour. In the month of October.

Name: The Greek Festival

Address: St. Sophia Greek Orthodox

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 735-5051

Comments:

Greek food, music and dancing. October.

Name: Wurstfest

Address: Nearby town of New Braunfels

City: New Braunfels, TX
Proximity to site: 40 Miles

Comments:

Annual sausage festival with lots of German food, music, and folklore. October - November.

Cultural Attractions

San Antonio is Texas' number-one tourist destination--among Texans and those from out of state alike. Indeed, tourism is San Antonio's second-largest industry, ensuring the visitor that every care has been taken to make his or her visit memorable. Approximately 18,000 hotel rooms, and more on the way, stand ready to receive the 10,5 million tourists who visit here every year. There are numerous restaurants for dining, arts performances to attend, historic relics to visit.

Whether you begin your sightseeing tour by ambling along the Venice-like San Antonio River Walk downtown or visiting the Queen of Missions, San

Jose, on the Mission Trail, you'll find San Antonio's unique vistas pleasing. Drink in the city's sights and you'll agree that there's "Nowhere Else But San Antonio." The word unique has become something of a cliche today, but it's not when applied to this city.

Name: Arneson River Theater

Address: S. Alamo & S. Presa Streets

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 207-8610

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

At the river entrance to La Villita. The outdoor stage of this theater, which was built at the same time as the River Walk, is on one side of the winding river, and the seating is on the grassy, terraced steps on the other side. In the summer, the theater is home to many musical and dance performances.

Name: Fort Sam Houston Museum

Address: 1207 Stanley Road, Bldg 123

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1886/0019 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Comments:

The museum tells the history of Fort Sam Houston and the U.S. Army in the San Antonio area from 1845 to the present. Fort Sam Houston, the ninth oldest Army post, is designated as a National Historic Landmark and has more than nine hundred historic buildings within its boundaries. Since its origin, Fort Sam Houston has performed five roles or missions:

- * Headquarters
- * Garrison
- * Logistical Support
- * Training and Mobilization
- * Medical Support

The gallery exhibits tell the story of Fort Sam Houston in chronological order and are arranged to highlight important periods of growth and development. Examples of the uniforms and equipment of each period are included. Supplementary and special exhibits on topics of interest are distributed throughout the gallery.

Name: HemisFair Park
Address: Alamo Street
City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 207-8617

Proximity to site: About 3 Miles

Comments:

Located on Alamo street between Market and Durango. The Park built for the 1968 World's Fair, is open to the public. Admission to the grounds is free. Places to visit at HemisFair Park include:

Tower of the Americas, a symbol of unity for the Western Hemisphere. This 750-foot tall structure designed by local architect O'Neil Ford contains a revolving restaurant, bar and observation deck, all with a breath-taking 360 degree view of the city skyline (which at night is especially awesome). The ride to the top of the Tower in the glass elevator is a speedy 52 seconds. The Tower is open from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., seven days per week. The restaurant is also open seven days a week. Call for further information.

Name: Hertzberg Circus Collection

Address: 210 Market Street

City: San Antonio, TX

Phone: (210) 207-7810

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

More than 20,000 items of Big Top memorabilia, including a collection of antique circus posters, Tom Thumb's carriage and a detailed model of the three-ring circus are found here.

Open Sep-May, Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Jun-Aug, Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sun 13:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Name: Institute of Texan Cultures

Address: 801 S. Bowie Street

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 458-2300

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

Part of the University of Texas system, the Institute tells the story of how Texas was settled using multimedia presentations and live demonstrations. Find out about the German shooting societies, see what a 19th century Japanese wedding looked like and read the letters of early Texans.

The 15-acre grounds are also home to the massive Texas Folklife Festival, Texas' biggest block party, each August. Open Tuesday through Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free.

Name: La Villita

Address: South Alamo and South Presa Streets

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 207-8610

Proximity to site: About 3 Miles

Comments:

La Villita means "the little town" and it dates back to San Antonio's colorful and multi-ethnic past. Coahuiltecan Indians pitched their tepees along the river here and Spaniards built a village of adobe houses featuring hand-carved mesquite doors.

German immigrants added the flagstone walks in the 1840s, and they were followed by the French, Polish and Irish. The village dates from the late 1700s, and the historic homes now serve as arts and crafts galleries and shops. Hours are generally form 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; some places open and close later.

Name: Market Square/El Mercado

Address: 514 West Commerce City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 207-8600

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

No visit to San Antonio is complete without a trip to El Mercado, the largest Mexican market in the United States, El Mercado, where the history of the past is tied to the color of the present and the excitement of the future. Stroll pedestrian plazas, enjoy the performers and the working artisans. Sip a margarita in an outdoor cafe and people-watch. At the heart of Hispanic culture in San Antonio, no matter what season you're likely to run into a "fiesta" complete with strolling mariachis and folkloric dancers.

Discover the variety of specialty shops, a tortilla factory, an art gallery and three first-class restaurants. Visit Market Square and get that "fiesta feeling." Hours are 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (seasonally adjusted) seven days a week with convenient parking.

Name: Navarro House

Address: 228 South Laredo

City: San Antonio, TX

Phone: (210) 226-4801

Proximity to site: About 4 miles

Comments:

The site, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, consists of three adobe structures which were home to Texas patriot Jose Antonio Navarro. Guided tours are available. Open Wed - Sun from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Name: Paseo del Rio/The River Walk

Address: Main entrance across from the Alamo

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 227-4262, boats rental, 224-5700

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

The scenic three mile Riverwalk is full of arching limestone bridges, serpentine walkways and lush foliage. There are also hotels, shops and restaurants--plenty of opportunities for respite. Take a 40-minute tour of the Riverwalk on a river barge.

Name: Ripley's Believe It or Not! and Plaza

Theatre of Wax

Address: 301 Alamo Plaza
City: San Antonio, TX
Phone: (210) 224-9299

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

The Wax Museum exhibits more than 225 life-like characters in four theme sections. Ripley's Believe It or Not! museum features more than 500 one-of-akind artifacts gathered by Robert Ripley.

Name: San Antonio Mission Trail

Address: 2202 Roosevelt Ave

City: San Antonio, TX

Comments:

Four missions are located along the Mission Trail. The historical park includes all the missions except the Alamo. The Mission Trail begins at the Alamo and winds southward along a nine-mile stretch of the San Antonio River. For additional information call each mission individually.

Mission San Jose: 6539 San Jose, (210) 229-4770 Mission Concepcion: 807 Mission Road at East

Theo, (210) 229-5732

Mission San Juan Capistrano: 9101 Graf Road,

(210) 229-5734

Mission Espada: 10040 Espada Road, (210)627-

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Name: San Antonio Museum of Art Address: 200 West Jones Avenue

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 978-8100

Proximity to site: About 2 miles

Comments:

One of the largest museums in the Southwest, the collections here range from Greek Roman and Egyptian antiquities to Mexican folk art. The castle-like building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Open Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Tues until 9:00 p.m. and Sun noon to 5:00 p.m.

Name: San Antonio Zoological Gardens and

Aquarium

Address: 3903 North St. Mary's Street

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 734-7183

Proximity to site: About one mile

Comments:

Located near Hildebrand and Broadway. This is the largest zoo in the world due to its naturalistic exhibits and its breeding program. The zoo, which was once a limestone quarry, boasts more than 3,700 animals representing 700 species. It was the first zoo outside Africa to reproduce the white rhino, and it has also been successful with flamingos, whooping cranes, certain breeds of snake and snow leopards. This is one of the few zoos in the United States with koalas from Australia.

The aquarium boasts a small but select collection. Don't miss the Children's Zoo and boat ride. Other seasonal programs include elephant and camel rides, birds of prey, and seal and sea lion shows. Open seven days a week from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in winter and until 6:30 p.m. in summer. Admission is charged, free for children under three.

Name: San Fernando Cathedral

Address: 115 Main Plaza between Commerce and

Dolorosa

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 227-1297

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

San Fernando Cathedral was the first church that European settlers of San Antonio, and the Canary Islanders built with the help of the King of Spain in 1731. The oldest parish church in Texas today, its archives chronicle the history of the West, including the fact that Jim Bowie married Ursula Veramendi there and that General Santa Anna raised the flag of "no quarter" (meaning that no survivors would be left) from San Fernando's tower during the siege of the Alamo

The architecture is spectacular in its simplicity. The cathedral is open daily, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m..

Name: Sea World of Texas

Address: 16 miles Northwest of downtown, off

State Highway 151
City: San Antonio, TX
Phone: (210) 523-3611

Proximity to site: About 30 miles

Comments:

The world's largest marine life park features aquatic shows, Lost Lagoon Water Adventure Area, (featirong sly tibing, a five-story water ride). A concert series showcases celebrity entertainers throughout the season.

Open weekends and holidays during spring and fall; daily Jun-Aug; closed Dec-Feb. Call for hours.

Name: Six Flags Fiesta Texas

Address: Intersection of Loop 1604 and I-10 West,

(Fiesta exit)

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 697-5050

Proximity to site: About 35 miles

Comments:

San Antonio's show park is created around four theme areas: the Mexican town of Los Festivales; the German village of Spassburg; the 1920s cowboy boom town of Crackaxle Canyon; and the small Texas town of Rockville during the 1950s.

Live shows, rides, food, architecture and craft demonstration all carry out the themes. A water park and many exciting rides add to the fun. Open Mar-Nov, extended hours in the summer. Call for hours.

Name: Spanish Governors' Palace

Address: 105 Plaza de Armas

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 224-0601

Proximity to site: About 4 miles

Comments:

The National Geographic Society labeled this 1749 palace "the most beautiful building in San Antonio." Open Mon-Sat 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sun 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Name: Splashtown

Address: 3600 North Pan Am Expressway

City: San Antonio, TX

Phone: (210) 227-1100 or 227-1400 **Proximity to site:** About one mile

Comments:

Eighteen landscaped acres of water fun that includes a dozen major water rides plus the largest wave pool in South Texas. Open weekends in May; daily Jun-Aug; and weekends through Sep 12. Call for hours.

Name: The Alamo

Address: Alamo Plaza

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 225-1391

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

The Alamo has diminished in size over the yearsonly the "Shrine and the

Long Barracks" are left-but not in historical stature; it is still the cradle of Texas liberty where Colonel William Barret Travis, Davy Crockett and some 189 other Texans fought for Texas' independence against the armies of Mexican General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna.

The Battle of the Alamo was originally founded as the Mission San Antonio de Valero in the early 1700's. Now the site is maintained by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. The chapel and Long Barracks, where most of the fighting took place, are restored and filled with portraits of the defenders.

The Shrine, Long Barracks and library are open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. From Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day, the Alamo observes Summer hours, staying open until 6:30 p.m. each night.

The Alamo is operated by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas and does not receive financial assistance from City, State or Federal governments.

No admission is charged, but donations, which help to maintain the structure, are welcome. Private tours are available. Call (210) 225-1391 to book. Visit the site of the Famous Battle of 1836. Includes Shrine, Long Barracks and Library.

Name: U.S. Army Medical Department Museum

Address: 2310 Stanley Road, Bldg 1046

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-6277 or 1-800-523-0015

FAX: (210) 221-6781 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Comments:

Mission: The mission of the U.S. Army Medical Department Museum is to collect, preserve, exibit, and interpret historically significant property related to the history of the Army Medical Department from 1775 to the present. As an educational institution, the museum will support training and education for military and civilian personnel.

Exhibits: Equipment, uniforms, vehicles and art works relating to the history of the U.S. Army Medical Department from 1775 to the present. Services: Auditorium for audiovisual programs and meetings. Research Library available by appointment.

Hours: Tues-Sun, 10:00-4:00 p.m. Admission

Free.

Tours: May be arranged by calling the Museum in

advance.

Name: Witte Museum

Address: 3801 Broadway Street

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 357-1900

Proximity to site: About one mile

Comments:

A city landmark for nearly 70 years, this museum features hands-on exhibits of Texas history, natural science and anthropology, changing exhibits and family programs.

Open Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tues until 9:00 p.m. and Sun noon to 5:00 p.m. (6:00 p.m., Jun-Aug).

Recreation Opportunities

Whether you are a sports participant or spectator, San Antonio has both the activity and the weather for you. You have a choice of professional basketball, baseball, polo, recreational fishing, and sailing. The mild 68.7 degree average temperature and numerous sunny days makes it possible any time of the year to head for a park, lake or an evening with the pros.

The Alamo city is the home of the Spurs, a professional basketball team in the NBA, the Missions, a pro baseball team and farm team of the

Los Angeles Dodgers (Fernando Valenzuela got his start here), the Dragons of the Central Hockey League and the U.S. Modern Pentahlon Association and Training Center. Local Fans watch Spurs action in the 65,000 seat Alamodome, while the 23,000 seat Alamo Stadium hosts other sports. The Alamodome opened in May 1993 and is located downtown near the convention center and the city's famous Riverwalk. The multi-purpose facility will draw amateur, collegiate, Olympic, and professional sports. Throughout the city, amateur athletes during all seasons have a myriad of sporting choices, including tennis, baseball, soccer, water sports, hunting and fishing. Indeed, San Antonio is a city that takes its sports and recreation seriously.

PARKS:

City Parks and Recreation Department at (210) 821-3100 oversees 143 city park and sponsors sports teams and maintains ball fields and playgrounds. The department has an extensive program of sports and recreation activities all over the city. The following lists some of its opportunities, but for more information on all the facilities, call (210) 207-3120.

For Youth teams and there are more than 400 of those, call (210) 207-3038. The Parks Department also sponsors basketball, volleyball, and track and field teams; for information on these, call (210) 207-3120.

SAILING AND WINDSURFING

On most weekends, the waters at Canyon Lake are dotted with sails. There are a number of marinas for permanent docking or unloading of your sailboat. Instructions in and rentals of windsurfers are available. Consult local sailboat and windsurfing shops for information on sailing opportunities.

SWIMMING

There are 21 public pools under the Parks & Recreation Department. They open the third week of May and close the third week of August, Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 6:00 p.m. For other information, admission fee and directions, call (210) 821-3000.

LAKES

Fifteen lakes lie within 150 miles of San Antonio, and the Texas Gulf Coast is only 140 miles away.

ICE SKATING

Crystal Ice Palace, located at 12332 IH-10 West at de Zavala, 696-0006. Experience winter sport in South Texas at this old fashioned, grand ice palace ballroom, overlooking a spectacular mountain winter scene. Public skating daily; open year-round.

Call for session times. An outstanding professional coaching staff instructs aspiring figure skaters; classes available for all ages groups, beginners through advanced. Enjoy the fast paced action of amateur ice hockey junior and senior league games each week.

Name: Brackenridge Park

Address: 950 East Hildebrand Street

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 207-3000

Proximity to site: About one mile

Comments:

San Antonio's major metropolitan park, 343 acres of park features an antique carousel with 60 Bradley-Kay horses; a miniature railroad, containing replicas of the 1863-Central Pacific Huntington steam locomotive; and a wiss-manufactured a golf driving range and paddle boats.

Name: Braunig & Calaveras Lake

Address: 17500 Dunop Rd.

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 635-8359

Proximity to site: About 140 miles South San

Antonio

Comments:

These are both located South of San Antonio exit 130 off I-37 South. Owned and operated by the City for Recreation and the cooling of its power generation plant. Salt water enthusiasts can drive there from San Antonio to Corpus Christi and the white beaches of Padre Island. This lake offers fishing, boating, camping, and picnicking. There are concession stands for tackle, and boat rentals.

Name: Canyon Lake Recreational Area

POC: Sig Olsen

Address: For reservations call 1-888-882-9878

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020

Phone: (830) 964-3318

Proximity to site: 45-50 miles

Comments:

The military recreation area contains three bedroom mobile homes which are equipped with dishes, and cooking utensils. Each home has a patio with a picnic table and BBQ grill. Renters must bring towels, sheets, dish and bath soaps. Mobile homes may be reserved ONE YEAR in advance by eligible members. For information call the above number.

Name: San Antonio Missions Baseball

POC: P.O. Box 28268,

City: San Antonio, TX 78228

Phone: (210) 434-9311

Comments:

This Class AA Texas League team is a farm team for Los Angeles Dodgers. It's season is April-August, and home games are played at the Nelson W. Wolff Municipal Baseball Stadium, HWY 90 & Callaghan Road.

For amateur softball leagues throughout the city, call San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department at (210) 821-3110.

Name: San Antonio Spurs Basketball

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 554-7787

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

The city's National basketball association franchise, the Spurs, have a fanatic, loyal following during its season, which runs October through April. Games are played at the Spurs new home in the Alamodome.

The San Antonio Spurs gave the Alamo City its' greatest sports thrill early this year. Led by the Twin Towers-Tim Duncan and David Robinson- the Spurs defeat the New York Knicks in the NBA Finals giving San Antonio its'first-ever majorleague Sports championship. The title ended 26 years of waiting for the Spurs' ever-faithful fans.

The championship run created an unprecedented frenzy in the city - fans painted their vehicles, virtually every business and many homes sported signs of support, and the focus of media was riveted on the big guys in silver and black.

After San Antonio's sweep of the Porland trail Blazers in the Western Conference finals, fans poured to the streets in celebration. When the Spurs defeated the Knicks, the partying continued for another week as the city held a river parade and Alamodome pep rally for its conquering heroes.

San Antonio is known as a Party City. The Spurs championship gave San Antonio another reason to celebrate!!

For amateurs, the San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department sponsors basketball teams. Call 821-3127 for information.

Military Related and Civic Organizations

These listings represent only a few of many the military related and civic organizations available. For assistance with locating additional services or targeting the specific organizations that you need, please call the Relocation Assistance Program at (210) 221-2418 or DSN 471-2418. Fax (210) 221-2040 or DSN 471-2040.

Name: American Association of Retired

Address: 8144 Walnut Hill, Suite700

City: Dallas, TX 75311 **Phone:** (214) 265-4060

Name: American Red Cross (ARC)

Address: Bldg 2650, Harney Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-3355 Proximity to site: On Post

Comments:

For military emergency messages (210)221-5271. Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1700. For emergency after duty hours call 224-5151.

Eligibility: Active Duty service members and their families from all branches of the Military.

Services: Emergency communications between servicemembers and their families. Counseling in personal or family problems relating to emergency. Emergency financial assistance such as: funds for emergency travel; burial of a dependant family member; transmittal of funds to assist in an emergency; disaster caused needs.

Classes in CPR and First Aid for all age groups. Babysitting classes.

Necessary Documentation: DA 31, ID CARD, CURRENT LES, ITINERARY, DOCUMENTATION OF MONTHLY OR ANNUAL EXPENSES.

For Volunteer Service information, call (210) 221-3355.

Name: Boy Scouts of America

POC: Boy Scout Council of San Antonio

Address: 2226 N.W. Military Highway

City: San Antonio, TX 78213 **Phone:** (210) 341-8611

Comments:

Boy Scout Troop 23 is dedicated to providing an appropriate program which meets the goals of the Boy Scouts of America. Boys from the 1st through 12th grades participate in the pack and troop.

In addition to working towards the accomplishment of individual scouting requirements, the scouts also perform service projects that support both the Fort Sam Houston and San Antonio communities.

Name: Daughters of the Republic of Texas

Address: P.O. Box 2599

City: San Antonio,, TX 78299

Phone: (210) 225-1391 **FAX:** (210) 229-1343

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Name: Disabled American Veterans

Address: 5337 W. Commerce Street

City: San Antonio, TX 78237

Phone: (210) 433-2442

Comments:

Advances the interest and works for the betterment of all wounded, injured, and disabled veterans, their widows and dependents. Assists in filing claims with the Veterans Administration and Social Security Disability claims.

Represents at Army and Air Force Physical Consultation Boards. Hours: 0730-1600 weekdays.

Name: Fort Sam Houston NCO Wives Club

POC: President

Address: Bldg 1395, Chaffee Road City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 224-2721

Comments:

We invite spouses of military members E-4 through E-9 to join us for friendship and the opportunity to better the Fort Sam Houston Community. Our club meets at 1000 a.m. at the NCO Club the first Tuesday of each month.

Name: Girl Scout of America

POC: Girl Scout Council of San Antonio

Address: 10443 Gulfdale City: San Antonio, TX 78216

Phone: (210) 349-2404

Comments:

The Girl Scout/Cole Service Unit is dedicated to providing an appropriated program which meets the goals of the Girl Scouts of America. Girls in Kindergarten through 12th grade participate in this service unit.

Cole Service Unit has the only active Mounted Patrol in the United States.

Name: Habitat for Humanity

Address: 404 N. Alamo St.
City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 223-5203

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

Builds homes in partnership with low income families.

Name: Military Order of the Purple Heart

POC: Gilbert Ochoa

Address: Bldg 2264, Stanley Road

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2587 **DSN Phone:** 471-2587 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Comments:

Provide assistance to veterans, dependents, and survivors in filing claims for U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) compensation, pension, death benefits, and educational assistance.

Name: Non-Commissioned Officers Association

Address: 10635 IH 35 North

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 653-6161

Comments:

The Non Comissioned Officers Association (NCOA) is a federally chartered, non-profit, fraternal association founded in 1960. The chapter meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the NCO Club. The purpose is to:

- 1) Uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States and support a strong national defense with a focus on military personnel issues.
- 2) Promote health, prosperity and scholarship among its members and their families through legislative and benevolent programs.
- 3) Improve benefits for service members, veterans, their family members and survivors in filing benefit claims.

NCOA's membership includes active duty, reserve, national guard, veteran and retired military personnel who have served honorably in the enlisted grades of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard.

NCOA provides it members with a broad range of highly personalized services, programs, endorsed products, and merchant discounts through a network of more than 225 chapters and approximately 125 service centers at or near major military installations throughout the United States and abroad.

Name: Officers Wives Club of Fort Sam Houston

POC: P.O. Box 340209

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 224-4211

Comments:

For more information, please call or write the club.

Name: USO of San Antonio and Central Texas

POC: Bruce Ladman

Address: 420 E. Commerce City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 227-9373

Proximity to site: About 3 miles. Take IH37So.

Exit Commerce Street.

Comments:

USO is located near Riverwalk in Riverbend Parking Garage. Provides off-duty recreational facilities and individual and family support services to military personnel and their families. Offers information and referral, newcomers orientation, tours, income tax preparation, TV, movies, telephones, billard area, check room and family room, holiday activities and meals. Volunteer opportunities exist in all areas of center operations.

HOURS: CLOSED MONDAY AND TUESDAY;

0900-1700 Wednesday and Thursday; 0900-2230 Friday and Saturday

0900-1730 Sunday

Eligibility/Fees: Must show valid military or military dependent ID card. Fees charged only for specific recreational activities.

Name: Veterans of Foreign Wars - Post 8541

POC: Quartermaster

Address: 2222 Austin HWY.
City: San Antonio, TX 78209

Phone: (210) 655-2944

Proximity to site: About one mile

Comments:

Closest to Fort Sam Houston. Monthly meeting, Bingo on Friday, Sunday and Wednesday. The bar is open from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Mon-thru Fri, Sat 10:00am to 12:00 p.m. Sun 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Name: Vietnam Veterans of America Alamo

Chapter #366

City: San Antonio, TX

Phone: (210) 977-8848

Comments:

The Veterans Center provides services to eligible veterans and their families. Offers individual, group and family counseling on issues pertaining to post traumatic stress disorder and adjustment to civilian life.

Eligible veterans include servicemen and women who served 180 days or more, on active duty during periods of combat hostility, and which included the

Vietnam Era (5 Aug 64 to 7 May 75)

Persian Gulf War (2 Aug 90 to date ending

Operation Desert Storm)

Grenada (20 Oct 83 to 21 Nov 83)

Panama (20 Dec 89 to 31 Jan 90) and

Somalia 17 Sep 92 to date ending Operation Restore

Hope).

Shopping

San Antonio is the place to shop when you are looking for that something special. Besides a multitude of specialty stores scattered throughout the city, there are ten major malls that provide not only just about anything you would need, but food, entertainment and more.

San Antonio malls feature unique shops, food, movies and other seasonal activities. In addition to the malls, there are two factory outlets near by San Antonio. You will have the opportunity to shop until you drop!!

Name: Central Park Mall

Address: 246 Central Park
City: San Antonio, TX 78216

Phone: (210) 344-2236

Proximity to site: About 5 miles

Comments:

Located North of Loop 410 between Blanco and San Pedro. Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 9:00

p.m., Sun noon to 6:00 p.m.

Name: Crossroads of San Antonio

Address: 4522 Fredericksburg Road

City: San Antonio, TX 78201 **Phone:** (210) 735-9137

Proximity to site: 10 miles

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sun noon

to 6:00 p.m.

Name: Ingram Park Mall
Address: 6301 NW Loop 410

City: San Antonio, TX 78238 **Phone:** (210) 684-9570

Proximity to site: About 15 miles

Comments:

Located Northwest of Loop 410 exit at Ingram Road, outside the Loop. Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m.

to 09:00 p.m., Sun noon to 6:00 p.m.

Name: McCreless Mall

Address: 1000 McCreless
City: San Antonio, TX 78223

Phone: (210) 534-8831

Proximity to site: About 17 miles

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sun noon

to 6:00 p.m.

Name: New Braunfels Outlet Factory

Address: North of San Antonio on IH 35

City: New Braunfels, TX Phone: (210) 620-6806

Proximity to site: 35 miles

Comments:

Famous brands and terrific price can be found in the 48 manufactures outlets offering factory direct savings on national brands & designer labels from women's, men's & children's fashions, to gifts,

china, home accessories & more.

Name: North Star Mall

Address: 2000 North Star Mall

City: San Antonio, TX 78216 **Phone:** (210) 340-6627

Proximity to site: About 5 miles

Comments:

The mall with the gigantic boots that can be seen from Loop 410. The big hitters are here in force including Saks Fifth Avenue, Marshall Field's,

Mervyns, Foley's and Dillards.

Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sun noon

to 6:00 p.m.

Name: Rivercenter Mall

Address: 849 E. Commerce Street

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 225-0000

Proximity to site: About 3 miles

Comments:

Located downtown on the Riverwalk. The river adds to the ambiance of the mall, which provides dining and entertainment in addition to shopping opportunities. Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 9:00

p.m., Sun noon to 6:00 p.m.

Name: Rolling Oaks Mall

Address: 6909 North East Loop 1604

City: San Antonio, TX 78247

Phone: (210) 651-5513

Proximity to site: About 19 miles

Comments:

Located North of Loop 1604, at Nacogdoches exit. Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sun noon

to 6:00 p.m.

Name: San Marcos Factory Shops

Address: North of San Antonio on IH 35 exit 200

City: San Marcos, TX **Phone:** 1-800-628-9465

Proximity to site: About 40 miles

Comments:

Shop Texas' largest factory outlet center. Save up to 70% off retail prices at over 110 of the nation's top manufacturers of clothing, accessories and housewares. Visit the children's playscape and choose from 10 eateries in the Food Court or Lone Star Cafe. Note: For EXTRA savings, pick-up the coupon book at the visitors' office in the outlet factory.

Name: South Park Mall

Address: 2301 S.W. Military Dr.

City: San Antonio, TX 78224

Phone: (210) 921-0534

Proximity to site: About 17 miles

Comments:

Located South I-35 exit at S.W. Military Dr. Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 to 9:00 p.m., Sun noon to

6:00 p.m.

Name: Winsor Park Mall
Address: 7900 I-35 North
City: San Antonio, TX 78218

Phone: (210) 654-1760

Proximity to site: About 5 miles

Comments:

Located off IH-35 and Loop 410 and Walzem Rd. Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sun noon

to 6:00 p.m.

State and Community Social Service Agencies

San Antonio is known for the Alamo, the peaceful Riverwalk, and rich cultural influences. These attractions make San Antonio a great place to visit, but it is the caring spirit of the people here that makes San Antonio a great place to live. San Antonio residents of all ages, races, and religious and ethnic backgrounds are committed to caring for their fellow man.

These listings represent few of the State and Community Social Services Agencies in our area. For assistance with locating additional services, please call the Relocation Assistance Program, (210) 221-2418 or DSN 471- 2418.

Name: Texas Dept Human Resources

Address: 3635 S.W. Military Dr. City: San Antonio, TX 78223

Phone: (210) 333-2004

Comments:

This agency provides services mandated by public law to eligible persons in Bexar County and 20 surrounding counties by conducting financial, social, protective, and licensing services for children, families, elderly and disabled. Provides information and referral, volunteers and services to detain refugees, nationals and disaster victims. Hours: 0800-1700 weekdays.

Name: Women, Infants & Children Program

Address: 1013 Rittiman Road. City: San Antonio, TX 78218

Phone: (210) 225-0213

Comments:

The San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, WIC Nutrition Program has been assisting families for over 20 years in the San Antonio area. The WIC is committed to continuing this tradition and in continuing to grow healthy families.

This agency provides immunization, maternity, well-child clinics adult health conference, family planning, dental, Women, Infant and Children (WIC) services and referral to a variety of health and social services.

For income eligibility guidelines call the above number.

Non-Profit Social Service Agencies

These listings represent some of the Non-Profit Social Service Agencies in our area. For assistance with locating additional services, please contact the Relocation Assistance Program, (210) 221-2418 or DSN 471-2418.

Name: American Cancer Society

Address: 8115 Datapoint, City: San Antonio, TX 78229

Phone: (210) 614-4211

Comments:

Fights cancer through balanced programs of research, education and service to cancer patients. The society's long-range objective is to eliminate cancer entirely as a human disease.

The immediate goal is to save more lives and to diminish suffering from cancer to the fullest extent.

Name: Habitat for Humanity

Address: 404 N. Alamo St.

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 223-5203

Proximity to site: 3 miles

Comments:

Builds homes in partnership with low income

families.

Name: United Way

Address: 700 S. Alamo St.

City: San Antonio, Texas, TX 78205 **Phone:** (210) 227-4357 (Help Line)

Comments:

The United Way Help line provides information, referral and crisis intervention services. It is staffed entirely by volunteers and it provides referrals to more than 300 non-profit, voluntary, and tax supported agencies.

Not all of these agencies are funded by the United Way.

Religious Activities

COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES.

There are more than 700 churches and synagogues in San Antonio, which is predominantly Catholic, with the Southern Baptists running a close second. Many churches here are quaint and historic.

San Fernando Cathedral downtown was built by the Canary Islanders, the first European settlers of the city, and, while it is not as massive or opulent as its European counterparts, it is a gem.

Also visit St. Sophia's Greek Orthodox Church (with its icons), the Little Church at La Villita (it is a tiny but quiet hideaway) and Our Lady of Czestochowa (a Polish Catholic church famous for its Black Madonna).

To find a church to attend, call the Greater San Antonio Community of Churches at (210) 733-9159.

FORT SAM HOUSTON RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES.

The Fort Sam Houston Chapel Community offers a variety of services with a wide range of activities. These activities include worship services (Catholic, Jewish, Protestant and Muslim), religious education program, religious fellowship events, retreats, youth activities and women's activities. Youth camping adventures and Vacation Bible School are scheduled during summer months.

The chapels offer a variety of opportunities for religious volunteer services. Chaplains are also available to conduct marriages, baptisms and funerals. Those wishing to be married at the chapel should contact the chaplain well in advance, at least six to twelve weeks for a Protestant wedding and twelve weeks for a Catholic wedding.

Premarital counseling is required. A duty Chaplain is available after duty hours and on weekends. In case of emergency, you may call the Staff Duty Officer at (210)221-2810.

Fort Sam Houston Area Denominations Houses of Worship, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Mormon, and Protestant.

MAIN POST CHAPEL is closed for renovation until approximately September 2002.

Catholic Service

Saturday-Main Post Chapel - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday-Main Post Chapel - 9:30 a.m.

AMEDDC&S Chapel -

Weekday Mass - 11:30 a.m.

Saturday Mass - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass- 9:15 a.m.

BAMC Chapel - Weekdays 11:00 a.m., Sunday 8:30 a. and 11:15 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Main Post Chapel - 11:30 a.m.

BAMC Chapel - 11:00 a.m.

Spanish Mass

Main Chapel 1st Sunday of the month - 1:30 p.m.

For information call 590-6593.

Jewish Service

BAMC Chapel - Friday - 8:00 p.m.

(Sabbath Service) 8:30 p.m. For information call 379-8666.

Muslim Service

Bldg 607A Infantry Post

Friday-Prayer Service - 1:30 p.m.

Sunday-Religious Education - 10:30-1:00p.m.

For more information call (210) 490-7486 or 221-9680.

Protestant Service

Dodd Field Chapel - Sunday, Gospel - 10:45 a.m. Sunday

BAMC Chapel - Wednesdays-12:00 a.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

AMEDDC&S-Chapel - 1100 a.m.AMEDD CHAPEL - Sunday 08:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Gospel Service - 11:30 (Evans Theater Bldg 1396) Troop Service - 9:15 a.m. (Evans Theater Bldg 1396) Spanish Service - 12:30 p.m.

Mormon Bldg 1350 Classroom 2, Koehler Rd, across fromEvans Auditorium.

Sunday - 10:30 a.m.

Name: AMEDD Regimental Chapel
Address: Bldg 1398, Garden Ave.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 221-4210

Name: BAMC Chapel
Address: Bldg 3602
City: San Antonio, TX
Phone: (210) 916-1105

Name: Community Denomination Houses of Worship

City: San Antonio, TX

Comments:

The community information is listed in the yellow pages of the San Antonio Telephone Directory under "Churches".

Name: Dodd Field Chapel

Address: Bldg 1721, Winans Road. **City:** Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-4569

Comments:

A new chapel complex was dedicated in May 96. The facility will house the religious education center and the child development center. The chapel is adjacent to the new Watkins Terrace neighborhood and Youth Activities Service. This location provides easy access to religious and childcare services.

Name: Family Life Center

Address: Bldg 1721 Winans Road. City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5432 Proximity to site: On Post

Comments:

The center provides confidential marital and family counseling, a premarital course, and educational programs for personal, marital and family enrichment.

Name: Post Chaplain's Office

Address: Bldg 2530, Funston Road.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5007 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Name: Religious Education Center

Address: Bldg 1721, Winans Road.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5010/5432 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Comments:

Catholic Religious Education Classes are available for preschoolers through adults. Classes meet on Sunday, 11:15-12:15. For information on Catholic programs and sacramental preparation, call (210)221-5743/5010.

Protestant Religious Education Classes are available for preschoolers through adults. Classes meet on Sunday, 9:30-10:30. Protestant Women meet every Wednesday 9:30-11:00. For information on Protestant program call (210) 221-5010/5743.

Community Transportation

Military personnel can obtain transportation (taxi or car rental) from the International Airport, bus station by calling the following agencies.

Name: AMTRAK

Address: 1174 E. Commerce St, City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: 1-800-872-7245 or (210) 223-3226

Proximity to site: 8 miles

Comments:

Call the 1-800 number for more information. The two Amtrak trains that serve San Antonio are the Eagle and the Sunset Limited.

Name: Alamo

Address: Airport (614 N.E. Loop 410)

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 828-7967

Name: Avis

Address: Airport (9700 Airport Blvd)

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 826-6332

Name: Budget

Address: Airport (9215 John Sanders)

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 828-8888

Name: Dollar

Address: Airport (1151 S. Terminal Dr)

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** 1-800-800-4000

Name: Enterprise

Address: Airport/8790 Crownhill

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** 1-800-325-8007

Name: Greyhound Bus Lines

Address: 500 North St. Mary's Street

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: 1-800-231-2222 **Proximity to site:** 3 miles

Comments:

Greyhound handles Greyhound-Trailways, Kerrville Painter, and Valley Transit bus lines. The station is open 24 hours a day. Call 1-800-531-5332 for fare and schedule information.

Name: Hertz

Address: Airport (10219 John Sanders)

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 826-3329

Name: National

Address: Airport (339 N.E. Loop 410)

City: San Antonio, TX

Phone: (210) 824-7544 or 824-1841

Name: Rent A Car Advantage

Address: Airport (338 N.E. Loop 410)

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 341-8211

Name: San Antonio International Airport

Address: 9800 Airport Blvd, City: San Antonio, TX 78216 Phone: (210) 207-3450

Proximity to site: 15 Miles

Comments:

The airport is located in Northeast San Antonio, approximately 15 miles from the post. It is open 24 hours a day. Military members arriving can take a taxi outside the baggage area at an average cost of \$15.00. Short-term and long-term parking is available at the airport and at nearby lots.

Name: Shuttle Service/Star Shuttle

Address: International Airport

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 366-3183

Comments:

Airport taxi service.

Name: Taxi Cab/ Checker Cab

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 222-2222

Comments:

Group rates. Operates 24 hours a day.

Name: Thrifty

Address: Airport (330 N.E. Loop 410)

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 341-4677

Name: Via Metropolitan Transit

Address: 800 E. Myrtle, City: San Antonio, TX 78212

Phone: (210) 362-2020 **Proximity to site:** 5 miles

Comments:

The buses start running at 0530 or 0630 depending on the route, and most stop by 2100 or 2200 (some earlier). There are discounts for students, senior citizen, and persons with disabilities. The Park & Ride system is used for special events. Park your car in certain designated parking lots and ride an express bus to and from the event. Viatrans is a service available to the mobility-impaired. Call to register for this service at (210) 227-5371.

Name: Yellow Cab

City: San Antonio, TX

Phone: (210) 226-4242

Comments:

Four ride for the price of one.

Education

Education Overview

For more information on this subject:

Texas Education Agency

http://www.tea.state.tx.us/tea101/mil.html

The newcomer to San Antonio is often surprised to find the city has so many public school districts, each independently administrated and accredited by the Texas Education Agency in Austin. Every school district has a school board and an a superintendent. Funding is by state and federal funds, and by local property taxes levied by each school district.

PARENTS NEED TO BRING:

- 1. Certificate of immunization.
- 2. Copy of birth certificate.
- 3. Social Security card for the student.
- 4. Report card from previous school.

5. Other school records from previous school.

A child will go to school in the district where his or her family lives. A child must be six years old on or before September 1 of the year he enters first grade. There is no busing of students across district boundaries; however, Business Careers High School, Health Careers High School, and the International School of the American accept out-of-district students.

STATE ACCREDITATION:

For information on accreditation go to the individual districts. Accreditation by the Texas Education Agency is an objective means by which excellence in education may be signified to the patrons of a school district.

ADULT EDUCATION:

Some districts mentioned in this guide offers classes for people of all ages along with ESL and GED classes after school.

Pre-K and KINDERGARTEN:

Most districts offer Pre-K and Kindergarten. Please call for additional information.

BUS SERVICE:

School bus transportation is provided for all students who live two miles or more from the school they attend.

MEALS PROGRAM:

Parents/Guardians will receive an application for Free or Reduced Meals as well as a letter with specific information and eligibility income guidance. If the parents/guardians wishes to apply, the application must be completed and returned to the Cafeteria Manager.

EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN PROGRAM:

Student with disabilities are guaranteed an equal opportunity for a free and appropriate public education. Services are provided in the least restrictive environment appropriate to meet individual student needs.

BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS:

These types of programs is not mandated by law, so public schools do not offer these programs. However, private schools do offer before and after school programs at different rates. Please see the Private School section for additional information.

HOME SCHOOLING:

Another choice away from the traditional public school is home schooling. Locally, more than 3,000 families are home schooling, according to the Family Educators Alliance of South Texas. For more information about home schooling, contact the following agencies:

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

Students with disabilities are guaranteed an equal opportunity for a free and appropriate public education. Services are provided in the least restrictive environment appropriate to meet individual student needs.

Students who are ages three through twenty-one with one or more of the following disabilities may be eligible for special education.

- -Learning Disability-----Visual Impairment
- -Emotional Disturbance-----Speech Impairment
- -Orthopedic Impairment------Mental Retardation
- -Auditory Impairement------Deaf Blind
- -Multiple Disabilities-----Autism
- -Traumatic Brain Injury.

Students who are visually impaired, Hearing impaired, or both, may be served from birth through twenty-one years of age.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THIS TOPIC, PLEASE SEE SPECIAL EDUCATION SECTION ON THIS BOOK.

Name: Family Educators Alliance of South Texas
Address: 4719 Blanco Road
City: San Antonio, TX 78212
Phone: (210) 342-4674

Name: Military Child Education Coalition

902 North 10th Steet

City: Killen,, TX 76541

Phone: (254) 501-0347 **FAX:** (254) 520-1805

E-Mail: membership@militarychild.org

WWW Link: http://www.odedodea.edu

Comments:

The Department of Defense Education Activity provides school information resources for a Talented, Motivated & Mobile Military Community.

Name: SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER (SLO)

POC: Keith A. Toney

Address: Bldg 2797 Stanley Road, RM1

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX

Phone: (210) 221-9613 **DSN Phone:** 471-9613

DSN FAX: (210) 221-9672 or 471-9672

E-Mail: Keith.Toney@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

The School Liaison Officer (SLO) will coordinate and assist school-age children and Youth of Army parents with educational opportunities and information necessary to achieve academic success. To work in partnership with local schools to provide caring adults to enhance the educational experience. The three key themes of SLO's role are:

- (1) Coordination and communication.
- (2) Assistance to Army parents.
- (3) Partnerships with local schools.

Name: Texas Eucation Agency

Address: 1701 North Congress Ave

City: Austin,, TX 78701-1494

Phone: (512) 463-9744

WWW Link: http://WWW.tea.state.tx.us

Comments:

The quality of each school will be judged by both the National Review Panel and the Texas Review Panel. For additional information visit the web page.

Name: Texas Home School Coalition

Address: Box 6982

City: Lubbock, TX 79493

Phone: (806) 797-4927

Public and DODDS Schools

For more information on this subject:

Texas Education Agency

http://www.tea.state.tx.us/tea101/mil.html

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Students must attend the school in the area in which they reside except where otherwise allowed by School Board policy. In Texas, children must be five years old on or before 1 September to be enrolled in the kindergarten program. Children must be six years old, on or before September 1 of the year the child enters the first grade.

NOTE: The FY02-03 School year begins August 20 and ends on June 5, however there are some school districts that will begin a few days early/late so this change the last day of school. For additional information, please contact the individual school district, via mail, phone, E-mail or visit the school district web pages.

FY02-03 HOLIDAYS: NOTE: Each school district sets its own calendar with holidays. Please see school district web pages for this information.

Christmas Break: 20 December 2002 - 3 January

2003

Spring Break: 17-21 March 2003

Graduation Date: 31 May - 6 June 2003 (date change

according with district)

FY02-03 SEMESTERS (QUARTERS) DATES:

- > 1st semester, 20 August-27 September 2002
- > 2nd semester, 30 September-8 November 2002
- > 3rd semester, 12 November-16 January 2003
- > 4th semester, 21 January 2003-28 February 2003
- > 5th semester, 3 March 2003-17 April 2003
- > 6th semester, 21 April 2003-5 June 2003.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS:

- \sim DPT/TD: 3 doses (with one dose after age 4 and one in the last 10 years).
- ~ DPT: DtaP for children six years and younger: At least four doses, with at least one dose after the fourth birday.
- ~ POLIO: Three doses for all students with at least one dose after the fourth birthday.
- ~ MEASLES Two doses for all students who were born on/or after September 2, 1991. Two doses for all students by their 12th birthday.
- ~ RUBELLA: One dose on/or after the first birthday.
- ~ MUMPS: One dose on/or after the first birthday.
- ~ HEPATITIS B: Three doses for all students born on/or after Sep 2, 1992.
- ~ HEPATITIS B: Children born on/or after Sep 2, 1988, but before Sep 2, 1992 will be required to have 3 doses by the 12th birthday.
- ~ HIB: One dose for children 15 months through four years of age. Recommended for all ages.

- ~ VARICELLA: (Chicken Pox) One dose recommended or documentation of disease.
- ~ VARICELLA: Children born on/or after Sept 2, 1988 but before Sept 2, 1994, will be required to have one dose by the 12th birthday, or a parent or physician-validated history of Varicella illness.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

In order to be eligible for graduation, students must pass the minimum skills test for the state of Texas. This requirement is in addition to completion of graduation credit requirements. Special education students may be exempt from the basic skills requirement according to guidelines detailed in administrative regulations.

HIGH SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS:

The high school graduation requirements in the state of Texas for the general program and an example of an advanced program for one of the school districts are as follows (Parents should contact their child's school counselor to discuss credits and minimum requirements and to develop an appropriate graduation plan):

SUBJECT-----MINIMUM CREDIT-----ADVANCED CREDITS. English4 Mathematics......3 Science......2.....3 Social Studies.....1 World Geography......1 Economics......1/2......1/2 Physical Education..1-1/2.....1-1/2 Fine Arts or Speech....1 Foreign Languages.....2 Computer Science.....1

GRADING SYSTEM:

The following grading system is used by most school districts for academy and elective courses. However, some school sets its own. Please refer to each school for specific information about grading procedures.

90-100 indicates excellent achievement. 80-89 indicates above average achievement. 75-79 indicates average achievement. 70-74 indicates below average achievement. Below 70 indicates failing.

For Citizenship:

- E Excellent
- S Satisfactory

- N Needs improvement
- U Unsatisfactory

DOCUMENTS NEEDED WHEN ENROLLMENT: Parents need to bring:

- 1. Certificate of immunization.
- 2. Copy of birth Certificate.
- 3. Social Security card for the student.
- 4. Report card from previous school.
- 5. Other school records from previous school.

MAGNET SCHOOLS:

Magnet Schools offer students a well-rounded curriculum with special emphasis on a certain subject area. Students desiring enrollment in a magnet school will need to apply for enrollment. Enrollment in this type of school is a privilege, and not a right afforded to students. A student's continued enrollment in a magnet school is contigent upon satisfactory attendance, grades, and behavior. The administration of each magnet school has the authority to revoke the enrollment of a student during the school year for failure to adhere to school rules information see Student Code Conduct)booklet received during the enrollment.

SUMMER SCHOOL:

The purpose of summer school is to provide remedial programs for students who may benefit from them. There are no honors credit courses offered in summer school.

Summer school provides an excellent opportunity for students who may wish to make up credits because of late entrance, time lost from illness, failure in a previous semester, inability to meet attendance requirement, or a desire to review a subject in preparation for more advanced work. Students wishing to attend summer school should seek approval from their counselors, parents, and teachers.

Sessions will be held in designated schools under the direction of regular staff members. Tuition fees are set annually.

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM:

The student is required to successfully complete his/her assignment to an Alternative Education Program (AEP). In order to be successful, the student must have satisfactory conduct, academic grades, and must have regular attendance prior to returning to the home campus.

GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM:

Contact individual district for information on this topic.

TEXAS ASSESSMENT of ACADEMIC SKILLS(TAAS) & TEXAS ACADEMIC SKILLS PROGRAM(TASP).

To be counted for this indicator the student must have achieved 81 or higher on the TAAS reading test, 77 or higher on the TAAS mathematics test, and a scale score of 1540 or higher on the TAAS writing test.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE INDICATOR SYSTEM:

Accountability Rating: This referes to the district and campus ratings assigned by the previous year. Districts and campuses are evaluated on performance on the TAAS, the dropout rate, and the attendance rate. The four levels of rating are:

- * Exemplary (district and campus);
- * Recognized (district and campus);
- * Academically Acceptable (district)/Acceptable (campus); and
- * Academically Unacceptable (district)/ Low-Performing (campus).

BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS:

The Blue Ribbon Schools Program (BRSP) was established by the Secretary of Education in 1982. Its purpose is threefold:

- (1) to identify and give public recognition to outstanding public and private schools across the United States;
- (2) to make available a comprehensive framework of key criteria for school effectiveness that can serve as a basis for participatory self-assessment and planning in schools; and
- (3) to facilitate communication and sharing of best practices within and among schools based on a common understanding of criteria related to success. The program has developed into a national school improvement strategy and may states now have related programs.

Blue Ribbon Schools model excellence and equity. They exhibit a strong commitment to educational excellence for all students. The school's success in furthering the intellectual, social, moral, and physical growth of all its students, including students with disabilities and limited English proficient students, is a basic consideration underlying the recognition criteria. In seeking successful schools, the program welcomes both schools that have demostrated sustained success in achieving these values and schools that have demostrated significant improvement by overcoming serious obstacles.

The quality of each school will be judged by both the National Review Panel and the Texas Review Panel. For additional information visit the web page listed in the Detail Record under Texas Education Agency.

Name: Alamo Heights ISD

POC: Jerry Christian, Superintendent

Address: 7101 Broadway

City: San Antonio,, TX 78209

Phone: (210) 824-2483

WWW Link: http://www.ahisd.net/

Comments:

The small school district, located in one of the city's more affluent communities, is academically strong with its students averaging a score of 1,012 on scholastic Assessment Test (SAT).

The district's two elementary schools, Cambridge and Woodridge, feature an enrichment program of music, art, computer and Spanish language instruction.

Its high school recently hired a counselor who specializes in drug and alcohol dependency prevention.

While the district has a tradition of high academic performance, the high school ranked as low-performing this year because of poor attendance and a high dropout rate among its economically disadvantaged students.

Last year (2000-2001) School Profile District Rating: RECOGNIZED

- Attendance rate 96.0%
- Dropout rate 0.5%, grades 7-12
- Enrollment 2,212, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 13.8 to 1
- 96.7% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10
- 70.5% of graduates scored at/or above equivalency on TAAS/TASP.

Generations of families have been raised and return to the area to bring their families up in this closeknit community.

The school serves 4,000 students in its one early campus, two elementary schools, one middle and one high school.

SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR 215 Lorenz St.

San Antonio Tx 79209

Makes instructional arrangements for students with educational handicaps (Physical, Mental, Emotional, Language and/or learning). Early childhood

education/handicapped aged 3-5. NO FEES NOTE: Must be a resident of the Alamo Heights

I.S.D. and if required school age for special education.

Name: East Central ISD

POC: Anthony Contanzo, Superintendent

Address: 6634 New Sulphur Springs Road

City: San Antonio, TX 78263

Phone: (210) 648-7861

WWW Link: http://www.ecisd.net/

Comments:

The East Central School District has a rich cultural history reaching back to the log cabin days of South Texas.

The 7,000 student school system evolved from a compilation of small rural 19th century schools that sprawled across 260 square miles. They served African-American, Czech, German, Mexican and Polish ethnic communities including East San Antonio, St. Hedwing, Elmendorf and the famous China Grove.

The district has since consolidated its hodgepodge of one-room schoolhouses to seven campuses, with an eighth - Heritage Middle School - scheduled to open this year.

Thw high school boys basketball team won the state championship. A 1994 bond issue for \$19 million is helping to build a new math-science wing at the high school. The district also has a new Agricultural Science Center to support its nationally renowned program.

The high school's Future Farmers of America Club has won several national titles in the past decade.

Last Year(2000-2001) School Profile. District Rating: RECOGNIZED

- District enrollment 4,062, grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 95.8%
- Dropout rate 1.0%
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 16.4 to 1
- 88.3% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10
- 60.6% of graduates scoredd at/or obove equivalency on TAAS/TASP.

Number of schools: 7 Elementary - 4 Middle Schools - 2 High Schools - 1

SPECIAL EDUCATION: 9787 New Sulphur Springs San Antonio, TX 78263 (210)649-4224

Provides services for hearing impaired, autistic,

deaf/blind, emotional disturbed, learning disable, mentally retarded, orthopedically handicapped, other health impaired, speech handicapped, visually handicapped, and multiply handicapped. Name: Edgewood ISD

POC: Dr. Luis Gonzalez, Superintendent

Address: 5358 W. Commerce St. City: San Antonio, TX 78237-1399

Phone: (210) 444-4500

WWW Link: http://www.edgewood-sa.k12.tx.us

Comments:

The Edgewood-ISD serves its 14,500 students at its two high schools, four middle schools and fifteen elementary schools.

The struggle for school funding equity has its roots imbedded in this heavily Hispanic, West Side school district, where one parent opened Texas' eyes to inequities in schooling between wealthy and poor school districts.

This parent's diligence and the district's tenacity resulted in a U.S. Supreme Court case that ultimately led Texas to redistribute property wealth to equalize the quality of education.

As a result, Edgewood has received increases in state aid that have allowed the district to create a magnet schools program and to plan other curriculum innovations.

A 3-year-old Math and Science Academy allows students interested in these to concentrate on learning proper scientific techniques in a challenging environment. The Careers and Techology Academy helps students gain practical skills for futures in computer-related and other technical fields.

Last year (2000-2001) School Profile. District Rating: ACADEMICALLY ACCEPTABLE

- District Enrollment 6,059, grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 95.2%
- Dropout rate 2.6, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 13.6 to 1
- 86.0% passed the TAAS test, grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 25

Elementary - 17 Middle Schools - 2 Jr High School - 2 High Schools - 3 Alternative Center - 1 Name: Fort Sam Houston Independent School District (FSH-ISD)

POC: Anne Kiehle, Superintendent

Address: 1902 Winans Rd

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234- 1497

Phone: (210) 368-8800/8730

FAX: (210) 368-8741

E-Mail: akiehle@fort-sam-houston.k12.tx.us

WWW Link: http://www.fort-sam-

houston.k12.tx.us

Proximity to site: On Post

Comments:

GENERAL INFORMATION

The military reservation of Fort Sam Houston and Camp Bullis comprise the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District. Children of military personnel residing on these reservations are eligible to attend kindergarten through grade 12. The Fort Sam Houston Elementary School, 3370 Nursery Road, includes grades PK-6. Robert G. Cole Jr/Sr High School, 1900 Winans Road, includes grades 7-12.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

The criteria for enrollment in the school's prekindergarten (four-year-old classes) are:

- (1) unable to speak and comprehend the English language as measured on an English proficiency test, and/or
- (2) from a family whose income is at or below subsistence. The district will apply the same formula used to qualify students for free or reduced price lunches under the national school lunch program.
- (3) a copy of the latest LES statement.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is provided for students K-12 as follows:

- -Students (K-12) who live futher than two miles from their school ride school district buses.
- -Students (K-6 only) living less than two miles from school ride Post buses.

Schedules are provided at registration. Parents are responsible for providing transportation to and from school when residing off-post awaiting assignment to government quarters. Parents are responsible for providing transportation for pre-kindergarten students. For additional infromation call (210) 221-5016 (Post info) or (210) 368-8720 (District Transportation).

MEALS

The Fort Sam Houston School cafeterias provide a nutritional breakfast and lunch each day. Information on meal prices may be obtained from the school office. Applications for free or reduced meals are also available at the school office.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

For information on programs for students with disabilities, call the Elementary Education Diagnostician at (210) 368-8800 ext 8817 or the Secondary Educational Diagnostician at (210) 368-8742.

The Fort Sam Houston School District is one of the three military school districts in Bexar County and is considered among the best. The district serves the children of personnel stationed at Fort Sam Houston, boasts some of the highest average student test scores on college entrance exams such as the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT). The district enjoys excellent attendance rates and few dropouts, despite having high student mobility.

The FSH-ISD has received the prestigious National Blue Ribbon Award from the U.S. Department of Education, which recognizes outstanding public and private schools annually.

The boys basketball team at Cole High School on Fort Sam Houston won its only state championship in 1989 when NBA superstar Shaquille O'Neal was their starting center. Information on athletics and physical education programs may be obtained from the Athletic Director at (210) 368-8752

Last year (2000-2001) School Profile. District Rating: RECOGNIZED

- District Enrollment 501, grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 97.3%
- Dropout rate 0.2%, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 10.7 to 1
- 94.5% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

The Department of Defense Education Activity provides school information resources for a Talented, Motivated & Mobile Military Community. For information call (254) 501-0347/0212 or Fax: (254) 520-1805. The address is Military Child Education Coalition, 902 North 10th Street, Killen, Texas 76541 or by E-mail:

membership@militarychild.org or visit the MCEC web site address under the subject above titled: Installation.

Name: Harlandale ISD

POC: Jack Jordan, Superintendent

Address: 102 Genevieve St.

City: San Antonio, TX 78214-2997

Phone: (210) 921-4340

WWW Link: http://www.harlandale.k12.tx.us

Comments:

The Harlandale community, made up largely of Hispanics, is known for its tightknit community and established neighborhoods with generations attending Harlandale schools.

A strong parent movement led to the approval last year of construction for minigyms at all the elementary schools, fulfilling a long-standing wish by parents.

FY 1998-1999, the Texas monthly's magazine list Harlandale-ISD as one of four-star schools. The magazine compared the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test scores of schools with similar numbers of economically disadvantaged students. Collier Elementary was the only South Side school in San Antonio to make the list.

FY 2000-2001, HARLANDALE ISD, COLLIER ELEMENTARY was recognized as one of the BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL.

Last year 2001-2002, HARLANDALE ISD, KINGSBOROUGH MIDDLE SCHOOL was recognized as one of the BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL.

District Rating: RECOGNIZED

- District Enrollment 6,978, grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 95.5%
- Dropout rate 0.6%, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 14.8 to 1
- 87.5% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 20

Elementary - 14 Middle Schools - 4 High Schools - 2 Name: Judson ISD

POC: Michael Zolkoski, Superintendent

Address: 8012 Shin Oak Drive City: Converse, TX 78233-2457

Phone: (210) 659-9600

WWW Link: http://www.judsonisd.org

Comments:

The Judson School District, is known for its Judson High School's state football championships.

The communities that make up this northeast Bexar County school system are proud of their district's gridiron feats. But they also know Judson is more than a football powerhouse.

Judson High is home to the International Baccalaureate magnet school, a prestigious, highly competitive college preparatory program. Work is under way on a \$9 million, state-of-the-art fine arts center that will showcase the districts band, choir, drama and arts program.

The district is facing growth challenges like many of its neighbors and the bond issue in 1994, paid for a new middle school and the expansion of two existing middle schools. Four new bond-funded elementary schools also are in the works.

Trustees currently are exploring the idea of school uniforms for Judson campuses.

Created 30 years ago, Judson is the youngest school system in Bexar County. It encompasses nearly 56 square miles and serves the cities of Converse, Kirby, Selma, parts of Live Oaks, Universal City, Schertz and San Antonio.

Last year (2000-2001) School Profile District Rating: ACADEMICALLY ACCEPTABLE

FY 1999-2000, JUDSON ISD, JUDSON HIGH SCHOOL was recognized as one of the SEVEN BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS in San Antonio Texas.

- District Enrollment 7,823 grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 95.4%
- Dropout rate 1.3%, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 14.9% to 1
- 88.1% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10.

Number of schools: 15

Elementary - 12 Middle Schools - 2 High Schools - 1 SPECIAL EDUCATION: (210) 658-5373 Provides various instructional services, arrangements, and supports to meet the individual educational needs of students with disabilities.

Name: Lackland ISD

POC: David Splitek, Superintendent **Address:** 2460 Kenly Ave., Bldg. 8265

City: Lackland, AFB, TX 78236

Phone: (210) 357-5000

WWW Link: http://www.lackland.k12.tx.us

Comments:

The Lackland ISD is one of the three smallest school districts in Bexar County and is also regularly considered among the best.

The military base school districts, which serve the children of personnel stationed at Lackland AFB, boast some of the highest average student test scores on college entrance exams such as the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT). It also enjoys excellent attendance rates and few dropouts, despite having high student mobility.

The Lackland ISD and Fort Sam Houston ISD have received the prestigious National blue Ribbon Award from the U.S. Department of Education, which recognizes outstanding public and private schools annually.

Last Year (2000-2001) School Profile. District Rating: EXEMPLARY

- District Enrollment 310, grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 97.5%
- Dropout rate 0.0%, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 11.3 to 1
- 96.5% passed TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 2

Elementary - 1

Middle-High Schools - 1

Name: North East ISD

POC: Richard Middleton
Address: 8961 Tesoro Drive

City: San Antonio, TX 78217

Phone: (210) 804-7000

E-Mail: vic@northeast.isd.tenet.edu
WWW Link: http://www.neisd.net

Comments:

E-mail: webmaster@northeast.isd.tenet.edu

North East is the third-largest school district in Bexar County. Fast-growing and academic excellence are two phases that people most associate with the school system. The North East has some of the best High School Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) programs. Continuously earning top honors at major competitions and consequently many scholarship offers.

Money magazine last year named it one of the best school districts per housing dollar in the nation. The magazine looked at districts' academic achievements coupled with the availability of affordable housing.

The Texas Education Agency also rated four of its schools as exemplary and 13 as recognized- a rating based mostly on high scores on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test (TAAS), High TAAS scores also led the Texas Monthly magazine naming four of the distict's schools as "four-star" schools.

The district, like its neighbor the North Side School District, faces a continuing growth crunch, adding about 800 students last year. Voters passed a \$147.4 million bond issue 1-1/2 years ago to accommodate growth and technology needs. Two new schools should open this year and two will be under construction as part of the bond package.

North East faces continuing challenges due to a state funding formula. The school board passed one of the largest property hikes in Bexar County last year - a move attributed to dwindling state aid and rapid growth in student enrollment.

FY 1999-2000, "WOW" THE NORTH EAST ISD was recognized with THREE of the SEVEN BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS in San Antonio Texas.

- *** JAMES MADISON HIGH SCHOOL
- *** THEODORE ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL
- *** WINSTON CHURCHILL HIGH SCHOOL

FY 2000-2001, THE NORTH EAST ISD, Hidden Forres, Olmos and Castle Hills Elementary Schools were recognized as a BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS.

FY 2001-2002, THE NORTH EAST ISD, Edward H. White Middle School, was recognized as a BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL.

District Rating: RECOGNIZED

- District Enrollment 24,226 grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 95.2%
- Dropout rate 0.8% grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio 15.1 to 1
- 93.4% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 49

Elementary - 31 Middle Schools - 11 High Schools - 7

SPECIAL EDUCATION: 8961 Tesoro, Suite 500 San Antonio, TX 78217 Phone (210) 804-7200

Provides services through varied classroom arrangements to students who have educational disabilities (physical, mental and emotional), children with language and/or learning disabilities.

Name: Northside ISD

POC: Ed Rawlinson, Superintendent

Address: 5900 Evers Road **City:** San Antonio, TX 78238

Phone: (210) 706-8500

E-Mail: info@northside.isd.tenet.edu
WWW Link: http://www.nisd.net

Comments:

The Northside School District is the state's seventh-largest school system with 59,000-plus students.

It also is one of the fastest-growing school districts, adding more than 9,000 students to its class rosters in the past decade.

Voters approved a \$98 million bond package in 1995 to build new campuses - including a new high school in the Helotes; renovation of existing facilities and new computer and technology equipment.

Northside has earned a reputation for fiscal responsibility and has the distinction of being the only large urban school system to be identified by the Texas Secretary of State's Office for three consecutive years for the district's fiscal efficiency.

The district also has a strong academic and athletic history. In 1994, the Academic Decathlon team from Holmes High School placed third in national competition and was the first South Texas team to win the state championship.

Two of the city's first magnet schools were in Northside: Health Careers and Business Careers high schools. Health Careers was one of only two high schools in a nine-county area to achieve an exemplary rating last year from the Texas Education Agency based on high student passing percentages on a state-mandated exam, good attendance and low dropout rates.

In 1995, the district added Communication Arts High School to its magnet program and opened the city's first night magnet school, Sunset High, in an attempt to provide better career opportunities for its students.

FY 2000-2001, THE NORTHSIDE ISD, **GREGORIO EXPARZA** and **SHIRLEY J. HOWSMAN Elementary** were recognized as BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS.

FY 2001-2002, THE NORTHSIDE ISD, **JOHN JAY** and **TOM C. CLARK High Schools**

were recognized as BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS.

District Rating: RECOGNIZED

- Enrollment 30,983 grades 7-12
- Attendance 95.7%
- Dropout rate 1.9%, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 15.1 to 1
- 90.6% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools - 54

Elementary - 37 Middle Schools - 10 High Schools - 7

SPECIAL EDUCATION: (210) 706-8754 Provides self-contained, transitional, resource, hospital, homebound and special classes for children who have visual, physical or auditory handicaps, and for children who are mentally retarded, emotional disturbed, learning disabled, speech and multi-handicapped.

Name: Randolph Field ISD

POC: Barbara Maddox, Superintendent

Address: P.O. Box 2217

City: Universal City, TX 78148-1217

Phone: (210) 357-2300

WWW Link: http://www.randolph-field.k12.tx.us

Comments:

The Randolph Field ISD is one of the three smallest school districts in Bexar County also regularly is considered among the best.

The district serves the children of personnel stationed at Randolph AFB, boast some of the highest average student test scores on college entrance exams such as the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT).

The district also enjoys excellent attendance rates and few dropouts, despite having high student mobility.

Randolph is in the second year of a five-year curriculum redesign that came about after intense community input.

FY 2000-2001, RANDOLPH FIELD ISD, RANDOLPH ELEMENTARY, was recognized as a BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL.

Last Year(2001-2002), RANDOLPH FIELD ISD, RANDOLPH MIDDLE SCHOOL was recognized as one of the BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL in San Antonio Texas.

FY 2000-2001 School Profile. District Rating: EXEMPLARY

- Enrollment 493, grades 7-12
- Attandance rate 96.8%
- Dropout rate 0.0%, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio 12.8 t0 1
- 96.0% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 3

Elementary - 1 Middle Schools - 1 High Schools - 1 Name: San Antonio Independent School District

POC: Ruben Olivarez, Superintendent

Address: 141 Lavaca St,

City: San Antonio, TX 78210

Phone: (210) 299-5500

E-Mail: saisd@webmaster_server
WWW Link: http://www.saisd.net

Comments:

When nationally renowned education reformer Diana Lam took the helm as superintendent of the city's largest school system, the troubled district had 41 low-performing schools.

Today, three schools have been recognized for improvements and the number of low-performing schools has fallen to five.

Many San Antonio School District campuses have implemented curriculum themes in their schools that allow staff to focus on team-teaching. The district contracts with the New American Schools, a national curriculum design company specializing in reforming schools.

The San Antonio ISD is the eight-largest in Texas, operates on a \$348 million budget. Trustees are mulling whether to call for a \$90 million bond issue that would make improvements or replace some of the district's eight high schools, seven middle schools, 65 elementary schools and five special campuses.

Last year (2000-2001) School Profile. District Rating: ACADEMICALLY ACCEPTABLE

FY 1999-2000, THE SAN ANTONIO ISD, LOUIS W. FAZ HIGH SCHOOL was recognized as one of the SEVEN BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL in San Antonio Texas.

- Enrollment 28,167 grades 7-12
- Attendance 94.9%
- Dropout rate 1.8%, grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ration 16.1 to 1
- 78.4% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 90

Elementary - 65 Middle Schools - 17 High Schools - 8

SPECIAL EDUCATION: 1702 North Alamo St.

San Antonio, TX 78215 (210) 225-2406

Instructional program which provides free, appropriate public education to eligible district disabled students. Gols are the development of academic, self-help, social/behavioral and work skills commensurate with ability of the individual.

Name: Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City **POC:** Byron P. Steele, Superintendent

Address: 1060 Elbel Road **City:** Schertz,, TX 78154 **Phone:** (210) 945-6200

WWW Link: http://www.scuc.txed.net

Comments:

3 Elementary Schools, 1 Middle School, 1 Jr. High School and 1 High School. Please visit the school web page.

Name: Somerset ISD

POC: John Casanova, Superintendent

Address: 19644 Somerset Road

City: Somerset, TX 78069 **Phone:** (830) 429-3079

WWW Link: http://www.somerset.k12.tx.us

Comments:

Located in the southern tip of Bexar County, the district draws students from mostly rural areas.

Plagued with political controversy over the years, the past two years have been marked by lawsuits and countersuits between contentious schools board members and the superintendent.

Somerset gained recognition last year after it made remarkable gains in the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test (TAAS). The gains were attributed mostly to the passage of a strict policy prohibiting students from passing on to the next grade until they passed the reading section of the test.

A new high school is under construction and is expected to open in the fall. The school district also has a new agricultural barn, an academic resource that has produced award-winning students.

Last year (2000-2001) School Profile. District Rating: RECOGNIZED

- Enrollment 1,225 grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 96.0%
- Dropout rate 1.8% grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 15.5% to 1
- 87.4% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 3

Elementary - 1 Middle Schools - 1 High Schools - 1 Name: South San Antonio ISD

POC: Robert Zamora, Superintendent

Address: 2515 Bobcat Lane City: San Antonio, TX 78224

Phone: (210) 977-7000

E-Mail: dochoa@south-san-antonio.k12.us

WWW Link: http://www.southsanisd.net/

Comments:

This South Side school district has come a long way from its history of political strife and low academic achievement in the 1980s.

Since 1991, when the Texas Education Agency (TEA) returned the district's full accreditation, six South San Antonio schools have been cited by the TEA for academic gains, and voters approved a \$25 million bond for improvements to school buildings.

This year, Olivares Elementary School earned "recognized" status for the students' academic achievements. The dropout rate decreased from 9.2 percent in 1990-1991 to 3.7 percent for 1996-1997.

New buildings replaced Carrillo Elementary and Dwight Middle schools. And in 1995, the district was operating 3,069 computers and printers in its classrooms.

The school district serves 10,346 students in its two high schools, three middle schools, and 10 elementary schools with a 71.1 million budget.

Last year (2000-2001) School Profile. District Rating: RECOGNIZED

- Enrollment 4,713 grade 7-12
- Attendance 95.8%
- Dropout rate 2.4% grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio 13.8% to 1
- 84.2% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

2415 West Southcross San Antonio, TX 78211-1847 (210) 977-7250

Teaches students identified as mildly moderately and severely mentally retarded, speech and hearing impaired, emotionally disturbed, physically impaired, visually impaired, learning disabled, severely and profoundly disabled, autistic. Name: Southside ISD

POC: Ruben Corkill, Superintendent **Address:** 14600 Martinez Losoya Rd.

City: San Antonio, TX 78221

Phone: (210) 626-0600

Comments:

Political turmoil often has plagued the tiny Southside School District, but last year the school board pulled together to agree on several major initiatives.

The district historically has been one of the lowest-paying school systems for teachers, but trustees approved a teacher pay raise last year that increased the minimum salary by \$3,000 a year. The district replaced a \$50 a month stipend for employees insurance with a health insurance plan. The school board also recently approved a plan to privatize its cafeteria services.

Southside Middle School is undergoing expansion paid for with existing funds. Plans are under way to build a new elementary school scheduled to begin next year.

The district's attention now is focused on improving student achievement.

Officials are awaiting the result of a comprehensive curriculum audit, commissioned by the board from the Texas Association of School Administrators, to help them find ways to improve learning in Southside.

Last year (2000-2001) School Profile.
Distric Rating: ACADEMICALLY ACCEPTABLE

- Enrollment 2,041 grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 94.1%
- Dropout rate 2.2% grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio of 14.9% to 1
- 81.4% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 4

Elementary - 2 Middle Schools - 1 High Schools - 1

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

(210) 626-2792

Provides comprehensive special education services to eligible students with disabilities residing in the district. Service are available to all individual ages 3-21 years of age. Also to infants and children from birth to 3 years of age who are blind or deaf, or both.

Name: Southwest ISD

POC: Pete Anthony, Superintendent

Address: 11914 Dragon Lane

City: San Antonio, TX 78252-2647

Phone: (210) 622-3488

E-Mail: woldhage@tenet.edu

Comments:

The past two years at Southwest School District have been full of construction that has included expansion at half the elementary schools and at the high school.

This summer, a new elementary school and transportation department are scheduled to open. Another new elementary school is scheduled to open soon and the process of opening another middle school is under way. Southwest is growing by about 4 percent every year. All the construction has been paid for with existing funds. A bond election has not been held since 1987.

In the academic arena, scores on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test are rising with the high school gaining 20 percentage points in math and 16 points in reading last year.

Last Year (2000-2001) School Profile. District Rating: RECOGNIZED

FY 1999-2000, THE SOUTHWEST ISD, SHARON CHRISTA McAULIFFE HIGH SCHOOL was recognized as one of the SEVEN BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS in San Antonio, Texas.

- Enrollment 4,666 grades 7-12
- Attendance rate 94.8%
- Dropout rate 1.3% grades 7-12
- Pupil/teacher ratio 13.8% to 1
- 85.2% passed the TAAS test for grades 3-8 & 10

Number of schools: 10

Elementary - 7 Middle Schools - 2 High Schools - 1

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

Rudy Gallegos, Director Phone: (210) 622-3436 Fax (210) 622-9674

Provides comprehensive Special Education.

Private Schools

For more information on this subject: Archdiocesan Catholic Schools http://www.sacatholicschools.org

San Antonio has many private and parochial schools at all levels of education. Among these are: boarding schools, schools for the handicapped and those with learning disabilities, schools for gifted and talented (enriched and accelerated programs). Private schools are licensed by the Department of Education and are required to provide a program of instruction equivalent to the minimum standards established by the state. For additional information contact the following address.

Name: ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

POC: Superintendent Dale Hoyt

Address: 2718 West Woodlawn Ave.

City: San Antonio, TX 78228

Phone: (210) 734-2620

WWW Link: http://www.sacatholicschools.org

Colleges and Universities

For more information on this subject: University of Texas at San Antonio http://www.utsa.edu

Last year the enrollment indicates 74,174 students took advantage of the college level opportunities at San Antonio's colleges and universities. College education levels range from the junior college, with two-year programs, to liberal arts college, specialized colleges, day classes, night classes and continuing education. For additional information contact the college individually.

Name: Continuing Education System (ACES)

POC: Ralph Rodriguez, Jr. Chief **Address:** Bldg 2248 New Braunfels, **City:** Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1738
Proximity to site: On post

Comments:

The professional, service-oriented staff at Fort Sam Houston Education Center provides military personnel, family members and civilian employees with assistance in the development of individual education and career goals. Testing services include CLEP, DANTES, ECI, PME, ACT, GRE, and interest inventories. Information about financial aid and tuition assistance is available.

Information on the Alternative Teachers Certification is provided as well as "Troops to Teachers" program information for personnel being discharged with a college degree.

In addition, the center offers counseling, schedules, and registration for more than 20 courses at St. Philips, Palo Alto, San Antonio College, Wayland Baptist University and Webster University. These courses are offered on and off post. In addition, the following are some of the colleges and universities in the San Antonio area:

Name: Incarnate Word University

Address: 4301 Broadway City: San Antonio, TX 78209 Phone: (210) 829-6006

WWW Link: http://www.uiw.edu Tutition: \$5,030 per semester

Comments:

Room & board: \$2,233 Catholic private university. Full-time faculty: 150 Part-time faculty: 108

There are five bachelor's degrees offered in arts, business administration, music, science and science in nursing; and 14 master's degrees.

Near Alamo Heights, the University of the Incarnate Word is a fast growing institution. It is creating an emphasis on international education - mostly through extensive year-abroad programs. The University has traditionally strong nursing and fashion-design degrees, although it offers a wide variety of liberal arts and science diplomas.

Name: Our Lady of the Lake University

Address: 411 S.W. 24th St.
City: San Antonio, TX 78207

Phone: (210) 434-6711

WWW Link: http://www.ollusa.edu
Tutition: \$ 4,770 per semester

Comments:

Room & board: \$1,825 Full-time faculty: 258 Part-time faculty: 121

Bachelor's degrees in 33 majors, masters of arts, business administration, education and psychology degrees and a doctorate in psychology.

Our Lady of the Lake University, located on the west side of San Antonio, recently celebrated its 100th anniversary and will face its second century by looking for a new leader to follow its longtime president sister Elizabeth Anne Sueltenfuss. In recent years, the university has expanded its offerings for students who want to pursue degrees at night or on the weekends while working full time.

Name: San Antonio College

Address: 1300 San Pedro Ave. City: San Antonio, TX 78212

Phone: (210) 733-2000

WWW Link:

http://www.accd.edu/sac/sacmain/sac.htm

Tutition: \$439 for ACCD residents, \$769 non-

residents per semester

Comments:

Room & board: N/A. Full-time faculty: 431 Part-time faculty: 465

A two-year program, designed to transfer, with 27 majors and three associate's degrees in applied science, arts and science with 34 specialties. Day

and evening schedule.

Situated right outside downtown, SAC is the heart of the community college system. It is one of the 10 largest higher-education institutions in Texas. It serves a variety of constituencies - including students who want to transfer to a four-year institution, students who want to take a night classes that interests them. The community college district has only one president for its four colleges. A nationwide search is being held to find new leaders for San Antonio College and Palo Alto College.

Name: St. Mary's University

Address: One Camino Santa Maria

City: San Antonio, TX 78228

Phone: (210) 436-3011

WWW Link: http://www.stmarytx.edu

Tutition: \$4,967 per semester

Comments:

Room & board: N/A Catholic private university. Full-time faculty: 180 Part-time faculty: 142

A variety of bachelor's degrees offered, including bachelor of arts, science, business administration, applied management and applied theology. Graduate degrees include master's in accounting, business administration, arts, science, justice administration, counseling and public administration. A doctorate in counseling and a law degree are also offered.

With a fully residential undergraduate program, many graduate degrees and the only law school in South Texas, St. Marys's University is recognized as a full-service university. It has strong ties to the city through its extensive alumni network.

Name: St. Philip's College District

Address: 1801 Martin Luther King Dr.

City: San Antonio, TX 78203

Phone: (210) 531-3200

WWW Link:

http://www.accd.edu/spc/spcmain/spc.htm

Proximity to site: 2 miles

Tutition: \$439 for ACCD residents, \$769 for non-

residents per semester

Comments:

Room & board: N/A Full-time faculty: 188 Part-time faculty: 210

Associate's degree in art, science and applied science are offered with 50 specialties. Day and

evening schedule.

St. Philip's College, is a component of the Alamo Community College District. It was one of the two founding institutions in the community college district in 1945. Academically, there is a focus on technology and job training. St. Philip's is located on the east side of San Antonio and operates a satellite campus near Kelly AFB.

Name: Trinity University
Address: 715 Stadium Dr.
City: San Antonio, TX 78212

Phone: (210) 999-7011

WWW Link: http://www.trinity.edu

Tutition: \$ 6,750 per semester

Comments:

Room & board: \$2,844 Independent private university.

Full-time faculty: 220 Part-time faculty: 45

Undergraduate bachelor of arts, science and music degrees are offered with a choice of 26 majors and seven interdisciplinary minors. Two five-year combined bachelor's and master's degrees, in education and accounting are offered. In addition, five master's degrees are available in arts, school administration, school psychology, urban administration and health-care administration.

Located on a hill overlooking downtown, Trinity University long has been considered the most exclusive and academically rigorous of San Antonio universities. Unlike other city schools, Trinity recruits from across Texas and, to an extent, the nation. It has a strong liberal arts and science undergraduate program and usually is ranked best regional liberal arts degree in the Southwest in national ranking guides.

Name: Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico

en San Antonio, Tx

WWW Link: http://www.usa.unam.edu/

Comments:

50 years of service to the community of San Antonio, a permanent extension school, is the only branch of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)in the United States and the only extension of a foreign university in that country.

Name: University of Texas Health Science Center

(UTHSC)

Address: 7703 Floyd Curl Dr **City:** San Antonio, TX 78229

Phone: (210) 567-7000

WWW Link: http://www.uthscsa.edu/
Tutition: \$521 per semester (Allied Health)

Comments:

Medical School: \$6,921 per year Dental School: \$5,776 per year Nursing School: \$591 per semester

Room & board: N/A Full-time faculty: 1,012 Part-time faculty: 335

Public health-related university, part of the

University of Texas system.

The university offers an MD degree for doctors, a DDS for dentists, as well as a bachelor's of science for the allied health school, a master's of science, a doctor of pharmacy and a bachelor's of science in nursing.

Located in Northwest San Antonio, the health-science center turns out 200 doctors and 80 dentists a year. It is also a research power-house with a good faculty-to-student ratio. The medical school has a recognized strength in training primary care physicians - family-care practitioners, pediatricians and OB-GYNs.

Name: University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA)

Address: 6900 N Loop 1604 W. City: San Antonio, TX 78249

Phone: (210) 458-4011

WWW Link: http://www.utsa.edu

Tutition: \$1,211 per semester for TEXAS residents

Comments:

Room & board: \$708 for housing, but no meal plan. Public four-year university, part of the University of

Texas system.

Tenure-track faculty: 138 Nontenure-track faculty: 437

Bachelor's degrees in arts, fine arts, science and business administration are offered with about 48 majors. Master of business administration, professional accounting, public administration, arts, fine arts, music and science are offered including anthropology, bicultural studies, education, English, history, Spanish, biology, electrical engineering, geology and mechanical engineering. Doctorates of philosophy degrees in biology and computer science.

In 1969, the Texas Legislature decided to build a first-class university in San Antonio. Since the first class was admitted in 1973, UTSA has grown rapidly, two buildings are being completed on its campus on the northern outskirts of town on the edge of Hill Country.

Name: University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA)

POC: Downtown Campus Address: 501 W. Durango City: San Antonio, TX 78207

Phone: (210) 458-4530

Comments:

For information see UTSA main campus.

Name: Wayland Baptist University

Address: 11550 IH-35 North City: San Antonio, TX 78233

Phone: (210) 826-7595

WWW Link: http://www.wbu.edu
Proximity to site: 2 miles from post

Name: Webster University

Address: 470 East Lockwood Ave.

Fort Sam Houston, TX (210) 226-3373

City: St. Louis, MO 63119-3194

Phone: 1-800-987-3447

Adult or Continuing Education

Call any of the college, universities or public schools for course listings.

Name: Army Continuing Education System (ACES)

POC: Ralph Rodriguez, Chief

Address: Bldg 2248 New Braunfels City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1738
Proximity to site: On Post

Comments:

The Army Education Center has expanded the availability of its testing services to military dependents, retirees and DOD civilians. While active duty personnel have priority, testing for all others will be done on a space available basis. ACES testing services personnel make every attempt to test individuals as soon as possible after a request is made. Many of the available tests and evaluative services are free, certain tests do require a fee for non-active duty personnel. NON-FUNDED TEST and COST.

CLEP - College Level Examination Program \$ 43.00, DANTES - Subject Standardized Test \$ 27.00, ACT Pep Exam (Regents College) \$ 40.00 - \$170.00, PRAXIS Series - Includes National Teacher Exam.\$ cost varies, ACT-For civilians applying to military schools \$ 20.00, Strong/Campbell Interest Inventory \$ 10.75.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AVAILABLE AT NO COST.

Education counseling services, Basic skills(Reading/Language and Math)evaluation and training, Preparation and practice test for: GED, SAT, ACT and CLEP Exams, PLATO comuter lab (self paced learning, with tutor assistance CYBIS computer lab (self paced learning with tutor assistance), Distance Learning computer lab (Internet capability), Research computer lab, Speed reding course, College and financial aid information

For further information, please call or visit the Army Education Center at Building 2248 or call 221-1738. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 0730-1600 and 1700-2100 hours.

Name: GED

POC: San Antonio College
Address: 1300 San Pedro Ave.

City: San Antonio, TX 78212

Phone: (210) 733-2581/2582/2583

Tutition: \$150.00 minimum charge

Name: Hallmark Institute of Technology
Address: 10401 IH-10 W.
City: San Antonio, TX 78230
Phone: (210) 690-9000
Tutition:

Name: San Antonio College Continuing Education
Address: 1300 San Pedro Ave,
City: San Antonio, TX 78212
Phone: (210) 733-2000

Special Education

For more information on this subject: Texas Education Agency http://www.tea.state.tx.us/special.ed/

Numerous programs are available for children with impairments from birth through age twenty-two. All San Antonio School districs have programs based on the students ability to learn. Students who receive special education services must meet certain criteria in order to qualify for programs.

If your child is currently enrolled in a special education program, it is vital that the principal or counselor be notified of this fact at the time of registration. If you feel that your child is in need of referral to a special education program, work with the school principal to set up the testing process.

Please see Public and DODDS School topic for special education off post. Also, visit the Texas Education Agency web page for additional information on the State and Federal Laws governing this program.

Texas Education Agency 1701 North Congress Avenue Austin, TX 78701-1494 Phone: (512) 463-9414 FAX: (512) 463-9560 See below for the web site.

PARENT INFORMATION LINE: 1-800-252-9668 (TOLL FREE)

This toll free message line is reserved for parents and other family members who have questions about students rights and regulatory requirements as they relate to special education complains inverstigations, mediations, and due process hearings. Calls are returned by trained professionals during normal business hours.

Name: Child & Youth Service Special Needs

POC: Rhonda DeVries

Address: Bldg 2797 Stanley Road, RM1

City: Fort Sam Houston,, TX 78234-5096

Phone: (210) 221-1725 **DSN Phone:** 471-1725

E-Mail: Rhonda.DeVries@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

Program provides referral and information services for families with special needs children. Serves as a networking tool to keep sponsors abreast for programs available to them both on and off post. Coordinates training to meet assessed needs of Child and Youth Services and other eligible patrons. Assist special needs families with pre and post transition needs. Coordinates closely with the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) to ensure seamless delivery of service to families with special needs members. Program Director serves as co-chairperson of the Special Needs Resource Team (SNRT).

Name: Children's Association for Maximum Potential (CAMP)

POC: Katy Hussey-Sloniker, Director

Address: 2525 Ladd St. Bldg 3850 P.O.Box 27086

City: Lackland, AFB, TX 78227

Phone: (210) 292-3575 **FAX:** (210) 292-3577

E-Mail: katys@C-A-M-P.org

WWW Link: http://www.serve.com/campcamp

Comments:

A UNIQUE AND NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SUMMER CAMP FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, THEIR SIBLINGS AND OTHER INTERESTED CHILDREN.

CAMP was founded by doctors and nurses interested in providing overnight camping experience to children with special needs who were not eligible for other camps due to the severity of the child's condition. Children with tracheostomies, ventilator support, gastrostomies, central catheters, peritoneal dialysis, overnith drip infusions, etc can be served. Many campers have no verbal communication or self-help skills. Ohers require multiple medications around the clock. Some children have milder problems but "slip thrugh the cracks" and for some reason are not able to attend other camps.

CAMP's ultimate goal is consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act, ADA of 1990, i.e. that special health needs will not bar a child from any camp. However, until other camps are reacy, CAMP's goal is that EVERY CHILD (regarless of the medical or supervisory needs) HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE A CAMP NOW! CAMP has been complying with this landmark legislation by including children without disabilities in its programs. At this point, due to restrictions placed on donations made for camperships, a child without disability, who is not a sibling, may attend only if the full cost of the program is paid by the parent.

THE FACILITY: CAMP is located in center point, Texas near Kerrville. Its 57 acres border the Guadalupe River in the Texas Hill Country. It has 376-bed capacity, dining hall, swimming pool, medical library, and several covered classroom and activity pavillions. A 13 bed, well equipped infirmary is available for 24 hour care. A heliport is available for medical transport of fragile children in times of needed urgent care.

THE PROGRAM: Children are organized into age-

appropriate indian tribes with a 1:1 child:counselor ratio and a doctor and nurse assigned to each tribe. Each day has activities such as archery, riflery, swimming, canoeing, hoseback riding, crafts, & field sports that have been adapted so that every child can participate. Evening activities provide a variety of additional experience, such as cookouts, carnivals, puppet shows, dances & variety shows.

ELIGIBILITY: Any Child regardless of medical, physical and/or mental disability between the ages of 5 and 21. Parents should pick the session that best suits their child. Siblings may attend the same session.

COST: CAMP has established an adjusted fee scale (called a campership) as a cost-sharing program for families paying out of pocket and whose income is in the lower brackets. Campership range from \$100 to \$475.00. Discounts are available for a second child.

APPLICATIONS: Available in January and due MAY 1st. to receive an application please call 210-292-3572. or 292-3566.

Name: Director of Special Education / FSH- ISD

POC: Kathy McKinney

Address: T-170IM Bowley Rd

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 368-8770 **FAX:** (210) 368-8776 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Comments:

For more information contact the Exceptional Family Member Coordinator at (210) 221-2705 or stop by the office located in Bldg 2797 Stanley Rd. Name: Early Childhood intervention (ECI)

POC: Region 20

Address: 1314 Hines Ave.

City: San Antonio, TX 78208-1899

Phone: (210) 370-5200

Comments:

The goal of Early Childhood Intervention is to help children reach their full potential. ECI promotes family involvement and decision making in all aspects of planning services. To reach this goal, local ECI Programs work closely with families to provide or arrange for services for them and their children.

Services are provided to children, up to age of 3, who are behind other children their age in learning to sit up, walk, talk, or understanding what others say. These services are free of charge, regardless of family income.

An interdisciplinary team which includes you and ECI staff members with different professional backgrounds - such as education, physical therapy, speech-language pathology - decides if your child has a developmental delay and is eligible for services. A child is also eligible if they are diagnosed by a doctor as having a physical or mental conditions which has a high probability of delaying development.

Name: Project Any Baby Can

Address: Santa Rosa Medical Center

City: San Antonio, TX 78285

Phone: (210) 704-2222/377-0222 **Proximity to site:** About 3 miles

Comments:

This service is for children up to 8 years of age. Links therapy, medical and educational programs, financial assistance, and life-support equipment. Provides crisis funding, monitors, carseats, emergency formula, respite care, and speech and hearing screening. Maintains parent support group information as well as Sudden Infant Death Syndrome support group.

Name: Region 20 Regional Headquarters for

POC: Southwest Texas Public School System

Address: 1314 Hines Ave.

City: San Antonio, TX 78208-1899

Phone: (210) 370-5200

Comments:

Through Region 20 you may also acquire the Texas State Board of Education rules for Special Education Services. Although the federal regulations and state laws seldom change, the State Board of Education Rules for Special Education rules change frequently. This document can be very important to parents in understanding who are eligible for special education services and how such services are to be provided.

Name: Texas Education Agency

WWW Link: http://www.tea.state.tx.us/special.ed/

Employment

Employment Overview

San Antonio's employers are divided into public sector and private sector. One of the first steps is to contact The Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce, Attn: Research Department, P.O. Box 1628, San Antonio, Texas 78296 or you may call (210) 229-2104 or 2102 for further information.

The newest way to find employment from the comfort of your own living room, watch Paragon Cable, Channel 23, Monday - Friday from 12:30 to 13:30.

San Antonio employment in different sectors is as follow:

Service: 29.5%. Trade: 24.6%. Government: 20.7%. Manufacturing: 8.1%.

Name: Alamo Community College District

WWW Link: http://www.accd.edu

Name: Baptist Health System

WWW Link:

http://www.baptisthealthsystem.org/jobs.htm

Name: City of San Antonio

WWW Link: http://www.ci.sat.tx.us/

Name: H. E. Butt Grocery Company (H.E.B.)

WWW Link: http://www.heb.com/

Name: Methodist Healthcare System

WWW Link: http://www.mhshealth.com

Name: Texas Workforce Commission

WWW Link: http://www.twc.state.tx.us/

Name: USAA

WWW Link: http://www.usaa.com/

Name: University of Texas Health Science Center

WWW Link: http://www.uthscsa.edu

Name: University of Texas at San Antonio

WWW Link: http://www.utsa.edu

Federal Civilian Employment for Spouses

Spouse preference for Appropriated Fund Positions is afforded only through the DOD Priority Placement Program. In order to be eligible, the spouse must be already serving on an expected appointment overseas or on a career or career-conditional appointment at the time the PCS orders are issued. The Spouse must be placed on leave without pay or be separated from their appointment due to PCS in order to receive spouse preference priority placement consideration. For additional information contact your local Civilian Personnel Office.

Name: Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP)

POC: Pat Fory FMEAP Program Manager

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-0516 **DSN Phone:** 471-0516 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Comments:

Family Memeber Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP)provides information and referral services in the areas of employment, career assessment, skill development and volunteer opportunities to give family members the competitive edge needed to secure employment.

Employment Assistance supports all adult family members who are relocating as a result of a military or civilian sponsor's PCS. This program is designed to minimize the employment problems associated with such moves. Hallmarks of the Fort Sam Houston Family Member Employment Assistance program ate individualized, one-on-one counseling and job skills training.

Employment Assistance services include:

- * identifying job skills
- * career counseling
- * free keyboarding/computer training and job skill testing
 - * identifying local vocational training resources
- * identifying free learning resources on the internet
 - * effectively using the Internet in the job search
 - * devising a job search plan
 - * creating or updating resumes
- * assistance in applying for Federal employment using RESUMIX
 - * preparing for job interviews
- * learning the fundamentals of salary negotiation an evaluating job offers
 - * job search support group.

Tools available for family member use are:

- * internet access
- * computer and MS Office software
- * Myers-Briggs Type Indicator assessment
- * skill and interest assessment software
- * a wide assortment of books and videos
- * computer and job skills training software

Eligible personnel include spouses of active duty and reserve component members, retirees, surviving spouses, dependent parents and youth. Name: Spouse Employment Preference Program

POC: Job Information Center

Address: Bldg 144, 1410 Stanley Rd, City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5022

Phone: (210) 221-0516

Comments:

Hours: Mon 0800-1545, T-F 0800-1300.

Positions most frequently filled at this activity are Clerk Typists, Secretaries, and other clerical and administrative/technical specialties.

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Family members should visit local ACAP and start job search there. Call your local ACAP office for information on Job Fair.

Permanent Employment Resources

The following list represents few of the agencies that can assist you in targeting permanent employment that best match your skills. Please contact this agencies as soon as PCS orders are available.

Name: Army Career Alumni Program (ACAP)

POC: Russ Lane, Chief

Address: Bldg 2264, 2406 Conell Rd,

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5024

Phone: (210) 221-1213 **DSN Phone:** 471-1213 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Comments:

Mon-Fri 0800-1600

The Army Career and Alumni Program (ACAP)Center provides transition services and job assistance to soldiers, civilian employees and family members leaving the Army, voluntarily or involuntarily, under honorable conditions. Members of other Defense Department organizations are also eligible. At Fort Sam Houston, we also serve others in transition; family members arriving or departing on PCS, college and high school students seeking employment, spouses returning to school or the work place, and soldiers interested in information when making career decisions.

The Fort Sam Houston ACAP Center is a contractor-operated facility which has responsibility for providing quality transition and job assistance services. This is accomplished through a combination of group and one-on-one couseling as well as workshops. During the initial visit to the ACAP Center, a detailed counseling session will be conducted to determine the specific needs of each individual client. Separating military personnel will complete the Pre-Separation Checklist which serves as a guide for action necessary prior to departure. All others will develop an action plan to achieve their transition or job assistance goals. Also during the initial session each client will be scheduled for workshops and/or referred to service provides as required.

The ACAP Center is a fully equipped and staffed facility capable of providing the full range of transition and job assistance services. Computers, typewriters, job banks, support groups, phones, fax and a library are available to the client on a daily basis. This is in addition to couselors and workshops mentioned earlier. In short, everything required for successful transition and/or job search is at your disposal.

The Fort Sam Houston ACAP Center is also designated as a regional office and, thus, has responsibility for providing support to all of Texas, Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Nebraska

and Oklahoma. Isolated units or groups of eligible clients can be serviced at their location using a portable computer system.

The ACAP Center can be most helpful if utilized early in the transition process. Appointments are required and should be made as soon as possible. Those separating from the service should make appointments at least 180 days prior to scheduled release.

For more information, to request regional support or to make an appointment, call the above number. If you are an employer and want information on the Army Employer Network (AEN) or the Defense Outplacement Referral System (DORS) call (210) 221-1213/2422. We may also be reached at 1-800-531-1114 ext 12257. Leave a message and your call will be returned the following duty day.

Name: Civilian Personnel Advisory Center

POC: AF/NAF Job Information Center

Address: Bldg 144, 1410 Stanley Rd.

City: Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020

Phone: (210) 221-2166

Comments:

Hours: Mon 0800-1545, T-F 0800-1300. Services:

- Civilian Service Employment Information.
- Non-Appropriated Fund Employment Information.
- DOD Military Spouse Preference Program.
- Army Family Member Placement Program.
- Civilian PCS Orders and Sponsorship Program.
- General Information on Federal Employment (Spouse and post retirement information).

Name: Texas Workforce Commission

Address: 330 Dwyer St

City: San Antonio, TX 78204

Phone: (210) 270-3307

Comments:

Hours: 0730-1600 weekdays.

Temporary Employment Resources

There are many temporary employment agencies listed in the Yellow Pages under Employment Contractor-Temporary help for the San Antonio area. The following are only few of the more active agencies.

Name: Hawkins Staffing Services
Address: 40 N.E. Loop 410, Suite 430
City: San Antonio, TX 78216
Phone: (210) 349-9911

Name: Kelly Temporary Services
Address: 4801 North West Loop 410, Suite 410
City: San Antonio, TX 78229
Phone: (210) 680-1000

Name: TDY Temporaries
Address: 1100 North West Loop 410
City: San Antonio, TX 78210
Phone: (210) 341-8400

Non-Paid or Volunteer Opportunities

The fastest way to meet new friends and to feel "at home" in a new community is to become involved. Fort Sam Houston has many active and dedicated adult and youth volunteers. The importance of the role of volunteers in our community is immeasurable. Many of our programs exist and succeed because of the contribution of time and talent made by these special people. For additional information call the following agencies.

Name: American Red Cross
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 221-3355

Name: BAMC Volunteer Association
POC: Volunteer Coordinator
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 916-5083

Name: FSH Mentor Program
POC: Nancy Moore Iva Winslow
Address: Bldg 2530, Funston Rd
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 221-5005/5010/5535
DSN Phone: 471-5005/5010/5535
Proximity to site: on post

Name: Installation Volunteer Coordinator

POC: Kim Miller

Address: ACS, Bldg 2797, 2010 Stanley Rd, Suite

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2705 FAX: (210) 221-2040 DSN Phone: 471-2705 DSN FAX: 471-2040 Proximity to site: On Post

Comments:

This program provides an avenue for community involvement. Volunteers become part of a network from which they provide, as well as receive, support while developing friendships, skills, experience, and reference. Training is provided for all volunteer positions. Volunteer time and experience are documented and may be used on resumes and job applications.

Name: USO of San Antonio and Central Texas

POC: Bruce Ladman Address: 420 E. Commerce City: San Antonio, TX 78205 Phone: (210) 227-9373/9374

Proximity to site: About 3 miles. Take IH-37 South Exit Commerce Street.

Comments:

USO is located near Riverwalk in Riverbend Parking Garage.

Provides off-duty recreational facilities and individual and family support services to military personnel and their families. Offers information and referral, newcomers orientation, tours, income tax preparation, TV, movies, telephones, billard area, check room and family room, holiday activities and meals. Volunteer opportunities exist in all areas of center operations.

HOURS: CLOSED MONDAY AND TUESDAY: 0900-1700 Wednesday and Thursday. 0900-2230 Friday and Saturday.

0900-2230 Friday and Saturday.

0900-1730 Sunday.

Eligibility/Fees: Must show valid military or military dependent ID card. Fees charged only for specific recreational activities.

Chambers of Commerce

Name: Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce

Address: 602 E. Commerce, P.O. Box 1628

City: San Antonio, TX 78296 **Phone:** (210) 229-2100

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0830-1700. The local number for tourist information is (210) 270-8700. If you are calling long distance, you may call (800) 447-3372.

Private Sector Employment

For additional private sector employment call Chamber of Commerce at (210)229-2104/2102.

Name: HEB Food Stores

Address: 3483 Fredericksburg **City:** San Antonio, TX 78201 **Phone:** (210) 938-4870/5222

Comments:

HEB is one of the largest private sector employers in San Antonio. Call the job line phone number lists different types of jobs available and where to apply.

Name: Starting a new business

POC: First Point Business/Information Center

Address: 215 S. San Saba City: San Antonio, TX 78207 Phone: (210) 207-3900

Comments:

This is a San Antonio city office. If you call ahead, it will provide, in one visit, all the answers to the legal, planning and licensing questions you may have for starting a business in the city of San Antonio.

Name: USAA - Insurance and Financial services

Address: 9800 Fredericksburg City: San Antonio, TX 78230 Phone: (210) 498-1289

Comments:

USAA's job line gives basic information, hours and where to apply.

Government Employment

For more information on this subject: Army Job Information http://www.cpol.army.mil Government is the third largest industry in San Antonio, with the military being the predominate employer. The four major military installation personnel offices are as follow:

Name: Audie L. Murphy VA Hospital

POC: Receptionist

Address: 7400 Merton Minton City: San Antonio, TX 78208

Phone: (210) 617-5300

Name: Civilian Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC)

POC: Job Information Center

Address: Bldg 144, 1410 Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5022

Phone: (210) 221-9822 (Job Line)

DSN Phone: 471-1600

WWW Link: http://www.cpol.army.mil

Proximity to site: On Post

Comments:

Hours: Mon 0800-1545, Tus-Fri 0800-1300. For Additional information call (210) 221-1600.

- General information on Federal Employment.
- Civil Service Employment Information.
- DOD Military Spouse Spouse Preference Program.
- Army Family Member Placement Program.
- Civilian PCS Orders and Sponsorship Program.

Name: Civilian Personnel Office/ Randolph

POC: Receptionist

Address: 12 ABG/DPCS

City: Randolph, AFB, TX 78150 **Phone:** (210) 527-2377 (Job Line)

WWW Link: http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil

Proximity to site: 20-25 miles

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600. Toll free phone

number 1-800-699-4473.

Name: Civilian Personnel Office/Brooks

POC: Receptionist

Address: 311 ABG/DPCS

3105 North Road, Suite C

City: Brooks, AFB, TX 78235-5358 **Phone:** (210) 527-2377 (Job Line)

Proximity to site: 40 miles

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600.

Name: Civilian Personnel Office/Lackland

POC: Receptionist
Address: 37 MSS/DPCS

City: Lackland AFB, TX 78236-5226 **Phone:** (210) 671-4117 (Job Line)

Proximity to site: 45 miles

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600.

Name: Office of Personnel Management

POC: Receptionist

Address: 8610 Broadway Suite 305

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 805-2423

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600 (210) 805-2402 (Job

line).

Professional or Occupational Licensing

The following is a list of Licnesing agencies. For any specific licensing not listed call the Fort Sam Houston, Relocation Assistance Program at (210) 221-2418 or DSN 471-2418.

Name: AC/Auction/Temporary Employment

Service

POC: Receptionist

Address: 321 N. Center St, Suite W101

City: San Antonio, US Minor Outlying Islands

78202

Phone: (210) 223-6866

Name: Board of Nurse Examiners

Address: 333 Guadalupe Street, Suite 3-460

City: Austin, TX 78701 **Phone:** (512) 305-7400

Comments:

Write or call the Board for an application and specific instructions. If you are currently licensed,

tell them in what state you are licensed.

Name: Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners

Address: 333 Guadalupe Street, Suite 3-400

City: Austin, TX 78701 **Phone:** (512) 305-8100

Name: Child Care

POC: Texas Dept. of Human Services

Address: 12500 San Pedro City: San Antonio, TX 78232

Phone: (210) 337-3447

Comments:

Issues licenses and monitors day care centers, group

day homes,

kindergarten/nursery schools and afterschool care.

Annual registration \$35.

Name: Cosmetology

POC: Texas Cosmetology Commission

Address: 5717 Balcones Dr., P.O. Box 26700

City: Austin, TX 78731 **Phone:** (512) 454-3782

Name: Real Estate

POC: San Antonio Board of Realtors

Address: 9110 IH-10 West City: San Antonio, TX 78230

Phone: (210) 593-1200

Name: Social Work/Psychologist

POC: Texas Dept of Human Services

Address: 1100 West 49th Street

City: Austin, TX 78756-3183

Phone: (512)454-3782 or 1-800-232-3162

Comments:

The Texas Department of Human Services does

certify social workers.

Name: Teacher Certification

POC: State Teacher Certification **Address:** 1701 North Congress Ave

City: Austin, TX 78701 **Phone:** 1-888-863-5880

Name: Texas Dept of Licensing and Regulation

Address: 920 Colorado St. City: Austin, TX 78701

Phone: 1-800-803-9202

Networking Opportunities

Army Career and Alumni Program (ACAP) Center Focus Group meets weekly to share job search information among the members. Relevant issues such as who's hiring, what skills are in demand, salary ranges, and interview outcomes are discussed in detail. Additionally, the group visits the Personnel Departments of local business to get first hand information from hiring officials.

Name: ACAP Center Focus Group

POC: Ted Tilma

Address: Bldg 2264, Stanley Road

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5024 **Phone:** (210) 221-1213, DSN: 471-1213

Medical And Dental

Medical and Dental Overview

MEDICAL OVERVIEW

Brooke Army Medical Center is a modern state-ofthe-art, 450 bed, health care facility that provides Level 1 Trauma, and Graduate Medical Education. The physical appearance and efficiency of space throughout the hospital creates a user-friendly, high quality health care environment for patients, their families and health care providers.

The Medical Center accommodates programs supporting its pursuit of treatment and health maintenance excellence. These include the graduate medical education, clinical investigation and research which are essential components of its mission. Located in the eastern sector of Fort Sam Houston, this ultra modern facility, incorporating many high technology features, is six times larger than the old Main Hospital. The Medical Center complex houses seven buildings, with a total of 1,473 million square feet of operational space and one million square feet of interstitial space. It includes a medical treatment facility, a medical research laboratory and a central energy plant.

The multi-storied medical treatment facility is the primary structure in the medical complex. It contains 1.4 million feet of space. There are 450 inpatient beds of which 48 are ICU beds and 40 are dedicated to the Institute of Surgical Research. The Hospital is capable of expanding to 651 beds if needed to support wartime mobilization.

The hospital includes 12 operating rooms, five oral surgery suites, four dental rooms, a diagnostic and therapeutic radiology center, a same day surgery suite and the requisite outpatient clinic and ancillary support services. The auditorium on the fourth floor seats 278 and the dining facility on the lower level seats 198.

Brooke Army Medical Center is the Army's most modern health care facility and the Army's only Level 1 Trauma Center. The graduate medical education programs, residents and fellowships provide the highest quality specialty care. Here is the home of the world famous Institute for Surgical Research and it's Burn Center. There are 58 specialty clinics and we conduct more than 600 ongoing research protocols each year in areas such as cardiology, dermatology, orthopedics, urology and emergency medicine.

Post graduate education is integral to the Medical Center mission. There are almost 275 physicians in intern, residency and fellowship training in 24 specialties annually. More than 550 medical students rotate through the clinic internship from many civilian medical schools each year. Other courses at BAMC includes physical therapy, dietetics, pharmacy, health care administration, operating room nursing, critical care nursing and clinical pastoral education.

Technology of the 21st century and continuing innovation are the ingredients of "the hospital without walls." Medical technology and expertise is available from Brooke Army Medical Center to health care providers regardless of whether they are working in a hospital environment, providing medical care to soldiers deployed anywhere in the world, or assisting with humanitarian missions.

Sick call for all military personnel assigned to Fort Sam Houston, except those at BAMC, is held at the McWethy Troop Medical Clinic on Garden Street, next to Budge Dental Clinic. Sick call is from 0515-0730, Monday-Friday (Emergencies Walk-in). Other times will be available by appointment. Sick call for BAMC personnel is in the Acute Care Clinic. All active duty personnel should have an "Individual Sick Slip", DD Form 689, from their unit or ID Card before reporting to sick call.

People with emergency medical problems after duty hours are seen in the Acute Care Clinic-Emergency Room (ACC-ER). The clinic is open from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., seven days a week, and the Emergency Room is open 24 hrs every day.

SAN ANTONIO COMPOSITE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM (SA-CHCS) Active Duty Military personnel assigned to Fort Sam Houston, Texas and their family members can now elect to receive their care from a team of health care providers organized under the family care concept. This form allows each family member to select the source of their primary medical care and at the same time pre-register in the CHCS automated patient appointment system. The

points-of-entry into the Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC) health care delivery system are as follow:

Active duty personnel assigned to activities located on Fort Sam Houston are to use the McWethy Troop Medical Clinic 916-7135/7893; Bldg 1279, Garden Ave, for "sick call" purpose.

DENTAL OVERVIEW

The Fort Sam Houston Dental Activity (DENTAC) operates four Dental Clinics:

- 1) Budge Dental Clinic on the corner of Garden and Harney;
- 2) Rhoades Dental Clinic, on Stanley and Schofield; Hospital Dental Clinic on the second floor of BAMC;
- 3) In and Out Processing Clinic in building 367 on the corner of Stanley and Reynolds is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings only.
- 4) The DENTAC Headquarters is located in building 2003 (Chamber Pavilion) on Buck Road.

Active duty soldiers are designated a clinic according to the unit to which they will be assigned. After normal duty hours, emergencies are seen at the BAMC emergency room.

Bldg 367 is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings only.

Name: TRICARE - Family Member Dental Plan (TFMDP)

POC: United Concordia Com

Address: For USA, Guam, Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands- Customer Service

P.O.BOX 898218 Camp Hill, PA 17089-8218 Oconus locations:

City: P.O. Box 898238 Camp Hill, PA 17089-8238

Phone: Conus 1-800-866-8499 Oconus 1-717-975-5017

WWW Link: http://www.ucci.com

Comments:

For more information about the TFMDP, contact your Health Benefits Advisor or in overseas locations, your servicing overseas dental treatment facility or Overseas Lead Agent point of contact. Customer Service can also help sponsors, family members, installation staff and dental providers with specifics about the TFMDP.

Medical Services/Directory - on Installation

Services include primary care, emergency care, internal medicine, counseling, dental, pharmacy, radiology, allergy & immunization, cardiology, dermatology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, hematology, oncology, nephrology, neurology, rheumatology, obstetrics & gynecology, optometry, opthalmology, orthopedics, pediatric, physical medicine, physical therapy, plastic surgery, podiatry, psychiatry. pulmonary disease, proctology, immunization, pathology, cytology, nuclear medicine, urology respiratory therapy, thoracic surgery, thyroid clinic, tuberculosis clinic, radiation therapy and family care clinic (TRICARE).

Medical Services/Directory - on Installation

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Pharmacy (Acute-Care)	(210) 916-5101
Pharmacy (Family Care)	(210) 916-1536
Pharmacy (Out Patient)	(210) 916-1536
Pharmacy (Pediatric)	(210) 916-1186
Pharmacy Satellite Call-In System	(210) 295-8700
Psychiatric Service	916-1600
Public Affairs Office (BAMC)	916-4437
Pulmonary Clinic	916-1136
Respiratory Therapy	916-4540/5555
Rheumatology	916-0797
Social Work Service	916-3020
Speech Pathology	916-3336
TRICARE Health Care	(210) 821-3800
Troop Medical Clinic	295-4996
Tuberculosis Clinic	295-2326
Urology	916-0716/3171
Veterinary Clinic	295-4260
X-Ray	916-5396

Health Benefits Advisor, Wellness, and CHAMPUS/TRICARE Programs

All newly assigned military personnel with family members must enroll in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). This program confirms entitlement to benefits administered by the Uniformed Services and to the Civilian Health and Medical Program for the Uniform Services.

Name: Health Risk Appraisal
Address: Bldg 3600
City: Ft Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 295-2587
Proximity to site: On Post
Comments:
Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600.

Name: RETIREES AND THEIR FAMILY

MEMBERS

Phone: 1-888-838-8737

Comments:

As of 1 February 1998 there is also a Tricare Retired Dental Program (TRDP), this is not part of the Medical Tricare program. The Dental Insurance program is administered by Delta Dental. For more information call.

Name: TRICARE Advisors

POC: TRICARE Service Center

Address: Rittiman Road at Rittiman Plaza

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: 1-800-406-2832

Comments:

As we deal with changes in our military force structure and the dynamics of health care in this country, BAMC is now participates fully in TRICARE, the Department of Defense-mandated military health services program that represents fundamental changes and many improvements in how your health care will be delivered.

Under TRICARE, active duty soldiers will continue to receive their care as they have in the past. However, active duty family members, retirees and their family members who are not Medicare-eligible now have three options in how they want to receive their health care.

TRICARE Standard is the old CHAMPUS, the indemnity insurance plan that enables beneficiaries the maximum freedom of choice of health care providers. There are no changes other than the name. There is no enrollment required. You pay no enrollment fee or monthly premium for TRICARE Standard. However, there are deductibles and copays when you use TRICARE Standard.

TRICARE Extra is similar to TRICARE Standard, but you have the option of choosing from a network of civilian health care providers who have agreed to provide care to beneficiaries at a negotiated rate. If you choose to use a TRICARE Extra provider, you receive a 5% discount on your co-pay, and your provider will process all claims documents. As in TRICARE Standard, there is no enrollment fee or monthly premium.

TRICARE Prime is the managed care option (Health Maintenance Organization). Prime does require enrollment, although active duty and family members of active duty soldiers pay no enrollment fee. Retirees and their families pay an annual enrollment fee of \$230 per individual or \$460 for the entire family. Under, TRICARE Prime, enrollees select a primary care manager (PCM) who will provide primary care and coordinate all other health care needs. You may select from a civilian network PCM or one from participating military medical treatment facilities.

For more information on your TRICARE options, please contact the Fort Sam Houston TRICARE

Service Center or, you may contact one of the BAMC Health Benefits Advisors, telephone 916-3760.

Name: TRICARE OFFICE

Address: Bldg 1028

City: Ft Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 916-1876
Proximity to site: On Post

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1600. The Champus permits eligible military families to receive civilian medical care. Please contact the Champus Office first.

Community Hospitals

The area hospitals listed here are both general and specialized, including one Veterans Administration hospital, and two state hospitals. Together, these facilities have approximately 10,000 beds.

Name: Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans

Hospital

Address: 7400 Merton Minter Blvd

City: San Antonio, TX 78284

Phone: (210) 617-5300

Name: Baptist Medical Center

Address: 111 Dallas St,

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 297-7000

Name: Charter Real Hospital

Address: 8550 Huebner Road, P.O.Box 380157

City: San Antonio, TX 78280 **Phone:** (210) 694-5568

Name: Christus Santa Rosa Health Care

Children/Adult Care

Address: 519 W. Houston St,

City: San Antonio, TX 78207

Phone: (210) 704-2011

Name: Healthsouth RIOSA

Address: 9119 Cinnamon Hill

City: San Antonio, TX 78240

Phone: (210) 614-0187

Name: Laurel Ridge Psychiatric Hospital

Address: 17720 Corporate Woods Drive

City: San Antonio, TX 78529

Phone: (210)491-9400

Name: Methodist Hospital
Address: 7700 Floyd Curl Drive
City: San Antonio, TX 78229
Phone: (210) 575-4000

Name: Methodist Specialty & Transplant Hospital
Address: 8026 Floyd Curl Drive
City: San Antonio, TX 78229
Phone: (210) 575-8110

Name: Metropolitan Hospital
Address: 1310 McCullough
City: San Antonio, TX 78212
Phone: (210) 208-2200

Name: Nix Medical Center
Address: 414 Navarro
City: San Antonio, TX 78205
Phone: (210) 271-1800

Name: North Central Baptist Hospital
Address: 520 Madison Oak
City: San Antonio, TX 78258
Phone: (210) 297-4000

Name: Northeast Methodist Hospital
Address: 8811 Village Drive
City: San Antonio, TX 78217-5440
Phone: (210) 297-2000

Name: Northeast Methodist Hospital
Address: 12412 Judson Road
City: San Antonio, TX 78233
Phone: (210) 650-4949

Name: San Antonio State Hospital
Address: 6711 South New Braunfels
City: San Antonio, TX 78223
Phone: (210) 532-8811

Name: Santa Rosa Northwest
Hospital/Rehabilitation
Address: 2827 Babcock Road
City: San Antonio, TX 78229
Phone: (210) 705-6100

Name: Southeast Baptist Hospital
Address: 4214 East Southcross Blvd.
City: San Antonio, TX 78222
Phone: (210) 297-3000

Name: Southwest General Hospital
Address: 7400 Barlite Blvd
City: San Antonio, TX 78224
Phone: (210) 921-2000

Name: Southwest Mental Health Center
Address: 8535 Tom Slick Drive
City: San Antonio, TX 78229
Phone: (210) 616-0300

Name: St Luke's Baptist Hospital
Address: 7930 Floyd Curl Drive
City: San Antonio, TX 78229
Phone: (210) 297-5000

Name: Texas Center for Infections Disease
Address: 2303 SouthEast Military Drive
City: San Antonio, TX 78223
Phone: (210) 532-8811

Name: University Hospital
Address: 4502 Medical Drive
City: San Antonio, TX 78284
Phone: (210) 358-4000

Name: Warm Springs Rehabilitation Hospital - San Antonio

Address: 5101 Medical Drive

City: San Antonio, TX 78229

Phone: (210) 616-0100

Name: Women's and Children's Hospital
Address: 7700 Floyd Curl Dr.
City: San Antonio, TX 78229
Phone: (210) 692-5000

Dental Services/Directory - on Installation

Clinic	POC	Number
Budge Dental Clinic		(210) 295-4677/4095,
		DSN 421-4677/4095
Concordia Dental TRI-CARE	Allen Berrier	(210) 493-8138
DENTAC Headquarters		(210) 295-2743
In-Out Processing Dental Clinic		(210) 295-1507
Inprocessing Dental Clinic	Mon,Wed,Fri	(210) 295-1507
Oral Surgery-Dental Clinic		(210) 916-2549/0332
Rhoades Dental Clinic		(210) 295-8740/8593,
		DSN 421-8740/8593

Family Member Dental Plan

TRICARE DENTAL INSURANCE PROGRAMS

ACTIVE DUTY FAMILY MEMBERS:

Tricare Active Duty Family Dental Plan (FMDP) is administered by United Concordia and should not be confused with Tricare Prime, Standard, which are medical only. The FMDP is for active duty family members only and is a cost share program. Family members are encouraged to enroll in the FMDP. To enroll in the FMDP, the soldier should mail the United Concordia application to the address on the application.

Name: RETIREES AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS

Phone: 1-888-838-8737

Comments:

As of 1 February 1998, there is also a Tricare Retired Dental Program (TRDP), this is not part of the Medical Tricare program. The Dental Insurance program administered by Delta Dental.

Name: TRICARE - FAMILY MEMBER
DENTAL PLAN (TFMDP)

POC: United Concordia Co.
Address: TFMDP Customer Service,
P.O. Box 898218
City: Camp Hill,, PA 17089-8218
Phone: 1-800-866-8499

WWW Link: http://www.ucci.com

Comments:

The TRICARE Family Member Dental Plan (TFMDP) is a comprehensive and affordable dental plan available to eligible spouses and children of active duty Uniformed Service members. The TFMDP has cost shares, benefit maximumsand coverage limitations similar to typical group dental insurance plans. To be eligible for TFMDP enrollment, sponsors must intend to remain on active duty for at least 24 months and this commitment must be confirmed by their parent Uniformed Service. Enrollment and/or changes to enrollment can be accomplished by filling out a UCCI enrollment form. Please read these forms carefully as they provide detailed information on enrollment options, limitations and when TFMDP coverage begins. Upon enrollmen, the sponsor must pay the monthly premium through their Uniformed Services payroll account-the Government pays 60% of monthly premiums. A membership card is now issued. Coverage is worldwide and portable between assignments. United Concordia Companies, Inc (UCCI) administers the TFMDP. Detailed TFMDP coverage and enrollment information can be found in the TFMDP benefit booklet. For more information about the program visit UCCI's web site or call them at the toll free telephone number above.

Housing

Housing Overview

The Housing office is located in the In-processing Center, building 367, Stanley Road, Fort Sam Houston. This office will handle applications, for onpost housing and waiting list information. Off-post referral is also available.

Single soldiers in the rank of SSG(E-6) and below are required to reside in the barracks.

Accompanied soldiers must process through the Housing Office prior to renting, leasing, or purchasing. Applications for on-post housing should be submitted within 30 days if arrival.

The Housing office has current listing of off-post homes and apartments and they can assist you by answering questions on purchasing a home or qualifying for a home loan.

If you are going to be looking for off-post housing, the news are fairly good. The cost of living in San Antonio is the lowest along large U.S. cities, according to the Greater San Antonio of Chamber of Commerce. The local cost of living is presently 5.5% below the national average. However, Housing rental costs is high.

If you are considering buying in the San Antonio area, you are in a choice market. Ideal year-round weather, reasonable land costs, and favorable city regulations and fees make owning a home affordable.

The Utility Deposit Waiver Program is available for soldiers moving off-post. Request must be submitted through the Housing Office by presenting required documents. City Public Service (CPS) and San Antonio Water System (SAWS) are the only companies that will accept the deposit waiver.

Name: Family Housing Office
POC: Gisela Wallace
Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Road
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5007
Phone: (210) 221-2341, 295-8575
FAX: 210-221-2626
DSN Phone: 421-8592
DSN FAX: 421-2626
Proximity to site: on site
Comments:
The total of 943 quarters. Average waiting time:
Grade E1-E6 E7-E8 E-9 W1-03 04-05 0-6
2 Bdr 03-06 mo N/A N/A 20-26 mo N/A N/A
3 Bdr 09-12 mo 0-03 mo 12-18 mo 6-9 mo 16- 20 mo 16-20 mo
4 Bdr 09-12 mo 3-6 mo N/A 6-9 mo 18-24 mo 18-24 mo
5 Bdr N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A
Call Housing Office at (210) 221-2341 or DSN 421-8592, Mon-Fri 0715-1600.

Housing Allowances

Fort Sam Houston housing allowances Basic Allowance for

Quarters (BAQ) and Variable Housing Allowance (VHA) is being

replace by a new Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH). The housing

allowance will depend upon your rank, and whether or not you

have dependents.

OFFICERS

RAN	K W/OUT	DEPENDENTS	WITH
0-10	\$946.00	\$1,215.00	
0-9	\$946.00	\$1,215.00	
0-8	\$946.00	\$1,215.00	
0-7	\$946.00	\$1,215.00	
0-6	\$928.00	\$1,201.00	

0-5 \$918.00	\$1,191.00	
0-4 \$911.00	\$1,082.00	E-1 under 4 months
0-3 \$865.00	\$927.00	Authorized to mess separately:
0-3E \$900.00	\$996.00	BREAKFAST: \$1.38
0-2 \$777,00	\$898.00	LUNCH: \$2.74
0-2E \$845.00	\$926.00	DINNER: \$2.74 - DAILY TOTAL: \$6.86
0-1 \$659.00	\$813.00	
0-1E \$802.00	\$912.00	Rations in-kind are not available:
W-5 \$913.00	\$1,053.00	BREAKFAST: \$1.55
W-4 \$903.00	\$986.00	LUNCH: \$3.09
W-3 \$855.00	\$928.00	DINNER: \$3.09 - DAILY TOTAL: \$7.73
W-2 \$821.00	\$915.00	
W-1 \$704.00	\$900.00	When assigned to duty under emergency conditions
		and no messing facilities of the U.S. are available:
_		BREAKFAST: \$2.06
ENLIS		LUNCH: \$4.10
		DINNER: \$4.10 - DAILY TOTAL: \$10.26
E-9 \$852.00	\$970.00	
E-8 \$821.00	\$921.00	All Other Enlisted Authorized to mess separatly:
E-7 \$735.00	\$910.00	BREAKFAST: \$1.49
E-6 \$669.00	\$900.00	LUNCH: \$2.97
E-5 \$605.00	\$802.00	DINNER: \$2.97 - DAILY TOTAL: \$7.43
E-4 \$495.00	\$731.00	
E-3 \$495.00	\$731.00	Rations in-kind are not available:
E-2 \$495.00	\$731.00	BREAKFAST: \$1.68
E-1 \$495.00	\$731.00	LUNCH: \$3.35
		DINNER: \$3.35 - DAILY TOTAL: \$8.38
BASIC ALLOWA	ANCE FOR SUBSISTENCE:	
		When assigned to duty under emergency conditions
OFFICERS: \$1	55.70 per month	and no messing facilities of the U.S. are available:
		BREAKFAST: \$2.22
	ng rations-in-kindPartial BAS:	LUNCH: \$4.44
\$0.31 per day		DINNER: \$4.44 - DAILY TOTAL: \$11.10

Housing Allowances

Housing allowance information is available from the Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee's Web Site:		
Rates and Allowances Home Page	http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/rateinfo.html	
Basic Allowance for Housing	http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/bah.html	
Overseas Housing Allowance	http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/allooha.html	

Government Housing	TOTAL	701
For more information on this subject: PCSEXPRESS (HOUSING)	Barracks	Spaces 1,943
http://www.armyhousing.net/PCS/	Officer Housi	ing
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TOTAL:		291

Name: Billeting Office
POC: Receptionist
Address: Bldg 592, Dickman Rd.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 357-2705
Proximity to site: On Post
Comments:
Hours: Mon - Fri 0715-1600.

Name: Family Housing Branch, Housing Division		
POC: Ruben Villanueva		
Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.		
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234		
Phone: (210) 221-2341/2381		
DSN Phone: 471-2341/2381		
WWW Link: http://www.armyhousing.net/PCS/		
Proximity to site: On Post		
Comments:		
Hours: Mon - Fri 0715-1600.		
AVERAGE WAITING IN MONTHS FOR ON- POST FAMILY HOUSING:		
BedroomsE1-E3 E4-E6 E7-E9 W1-03 04-		
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2 12.16 12.16 N/A 10.24 N/A N/A		
212-16 12-16 N/A 18-24 N/A N/A		
314-18 14-18 6-9 8-10 12-14 12		
412-16 12-16 12-16 12-16 12-14 12		
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Community Housing

All newly assigned military personnel must report to the Community Homefinding Housing Referral Office, prior to making any housing selection from the off-post community or prior to entering into any lease.

There is an approved and authorized Realtor on duty full time to assist incoming military and civilian personnel locate housing off post, regardless of whether they wish to buy or rent. Coldwell Banker D'Ann Harper real estate agents have been specially trained in working with the military and are available to accompany personnel to view properties which suit their needs. ese service are offered FREE of charge.

Call DSN 421-8539, COMM (210) 295-8539 or Tall Free 1-888-789-MOVE (6683).

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1BR		\$ 150	, -	\$ 0
2BR	600	150	600	600
3BR	700	300	700	700
4BR			950	950
Home Purchase				
2BR	\$55,00	0		
3BR	75,000)		
4BR	95,000)		
Mobile Home Pr	urchase	e		
2BR:	\$13,00	00		
3BR:	18,00	0		
4BR:				

Name: Coldwell Baker D'Ann Harper
POC: Tommy Best
Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Road
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 295-8539
DSN Dhono: 421 8530

DSN Phone: 421-8539 **Proximity to site:** On Post

Comments:

Coldwell Banker D'Ann Harper has been approved to provide real estate services for the housing office at the In/Out processing Centerr at Fort Sam Houston. There is a authorized Realtor coordinator is on duty full time to assist in relocating military and civilian personnel in locating housing off-post. These services are offer FREE of charge, regardless of whether they wish to buy or rent. Call commercial (210) 295-8539 OR TOLL FREE 1-888-789-MOVE (6683) for additional information.

For Apartments call Lupe Kennedy at 1-888-500-3463.

Name: San Antonio Board of Realtors
POC: Receptionist
Address: 9110 IH-10 West
City: San Antonio, TX 78230
Phone: (210) 593-1200
Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1700.

The Board is a professional organization for Realtors. If you have a problem the board can advice you on how things are generally handled.

Utilities

Name: City Public Service (Electric & Gas)

Address: P.O. Box 2990 **City:** San Antonio, TX 78299 **Phone:** (210) 353-4335/2222

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-7:00 p.m. Rate-Cost: \$90.00-\$200.00 per month

CPS provides electricity and natural gas. A deposit is required for a new resident with no established credit. After one year with satisfactory payment record the deposit is automatically refunded plus interest. Deposit can be waived if the customer can provide a letter of credit from another utility company (one year minimum).

CPS maintains full service operations throughout the city for your convenience:

146 Navarro (downtown), 911 South W.W. White Road, 803 Castroville Road, and 509 S.W. Military Dr. Two forms of identification are required on the application for service (a current valid drivers license-picture ID and Social Security Number).

Name: San Antonio City Water Board

Address: 1001 E. Market St City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 704-7595 or 225-5222

Comments:

The total charges for water and sewer average from \$25-30/monthly, expect to pay more if you use automatic sprinkles, a spa or pool, or something else that uses a lot of water. The deposit will be waived if the customer can provide a letter of credit from another water utility (12 months minimum). Hours: Mon-Fri 0745-1630.

Name: Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. **Phone:** (210) 820-6666, 1800-464-7928

Comments:

Hours: Mon- Fri 0830-1630 Hook-up Fee: \$60.00-\$70.00 Rate-Cost: \$12.00 per month

Installation charges start at \$41.00 There are additional charges for a home without telephone service, and to install a new jack. Customers with previous delinquency need to pay a deposit.

Advance payment is required of all new customers. This advance payment may be waived with a letter of credit from another Bell company. Average monthly charge will be \$15-18 depending on location.

Name: Time Warner Cable

Address: 8400 N.E. Loop 410, #200

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 352-4600

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1600

Rate-Cost: Limited Basic Channels - \$10.35 Hook-up Fee: Primary television \$27.95 Standard Basic (33 - channels) \$21.98; premium channels such as HBO, Showtime and Disney are extra. If your television is not cable ready, there are other charges. There will be additional \$13.95 hook-up fee for each additional television outlet

activated.

Relocation Services

Relocation Services Overview

Are you going to move soon? Here just a few of the questions you'll have to answer: Where will I live? What will my housing cost? Will there be a charge in my cost-of-living? How will I ship my car? What about my pet?

If you have a spouse and/or a family, those questions increase: Will my spouse be able to find work? What are the schools like? Will we be able to find quality child care? What about appropriate medical facilities? Will my new neighborhood be safe? What about any special needs my family has? How can I help my children adjust to relocation?

Relocation is a way of life in the military, and it can be stressful. Decisions must be made, and your choices can have significant, long-term effects on your life. You need accurate, timely information to make these decisions.

The Army Community Service/Relocation Assistance Program is the first point of contact for relocation information and assistance. You can get up-to-date information about your new base and community before you move, learn how to prepare for your move, get help in planning your moving cost, check out the job market and learn new skills to reduce the stress of moving.

You can reach the Relocation Assistance Program via E-mail: sites4405.fshtx@cen.amedd.army.mil

Relocation Assistance

Name: Relocation Assistance Program (RAP)

POC: Alicia Tyson

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705 **FAX:** (210) 221-2040

DSN Phone: 471-2418 DSN FAX: 471-2040

E-Mail: sites4405.fshtx@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0715-1600.

The Relocation Assistance Program is designed to eliminate or diminish the personal and family stress that military families experience with a permanent change of station by providing assistance, counseling, education and training throughout all phases of relocation process to soldiers, family members, retirees and DOD civilians.

Pre/Post move relocation counseling, Overseas Briefings/Video Tapes, Welcome Packets, Newcomers Orientation, Lending Closet, Sponsorship Training, English as a Second Language classes and Standard Installation Topic Exchange Service a computerized program that contains information on military installations worldwide.

In Transit Emergencies

Before you leave make sure you have all important papers with you, phone numbers such as Duty Officer, and your sponsor. Your sponsor can be of help in case of an emergency while in transit.

American Red Cross is always available for emergency aid. Contact the nearest chapter listed on the local phone directory.

Army Emergency Relief can provide financial assistance to meet unforseen required travel and related maintenance expenses such as transportation, lodging or food, when applicable due to extraordinary costs involved with permanent change of station (PCS). Also keep in mind that all branches of service have emergency relief agencies that can assist and communicate with agencies at Fort Sam Houston.

Name: Army Emergency Relief (AER)

POC: Lois Tonsall

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-1612, DSN: 471-1612

FAX: (210) 221-2040 DSN Phone: 471-1612 DSN FAX: 471-2040

E-Mail: Lois.Tonsall@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1615

For an emergency after duty hours call the Staff Duty Officer, at (210) 221-2810/0905 or American

Red Cross at (210) 224-5151.

Financial Preparedness

Whenever you PCS, you are going to be faced with some unusual expenses. This list gives some of them, but you may find others. Begin to plan ahead!

- * Travel cost: tickets, gasoline, food and lodging, tolls, car tune-up, new tires before the trip, emergency repairs along the way.
- * Deposit: damage and rent deposit on new apartment, utilities, telephone, and cable.
- * Closing costs if buying or selling a new house.
- * Temporary lodging at the old post and at the new post.
- * Food: restocking the refrigerator and food pantry.
- * Household incidentals: light bulbs, toilet paper, soaps, cleaning supplies and equipment.
- * Curtains.

Other Financial Impacts

There may be other financial impacts of a PCS move. Here are some examples:

Do we depend on the money my spouse gets from his or her job? How long will it be before he or she can get a new job? Will it pay as well? We may have to live on less money for a couple of months, or more.

Higher cost of living. This includes not only higher housing and food costs, but also things like having to drive further to work, child care costs, school costs, etc.

Lower VHA or no VHA.

Name: Defense Military Pay Office

POC: William McCrae, Chief

Address: Bldg 2263

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-8724 **DSN FAX:** (210) 295-8780

E-Mail: william.macrae@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

The In/Out Processing section will provide Inprocessing briefings to military personnel in a group setting each Mon, Wed, & Fri at 0730 hrs. Outprocessing will be done five days a week on a walk in basis. In/Out processing will take place in Bldg 367 located on the corner of Reynolds and Stanley Road adjacent to the post office.

For additional information call Customer Service at

(210) 295-8724.

Travel--(210) 295-8735.

In/Out Processing--(210) 295-8793.

Name: Financial Programs

POC: Gerd Jacobi

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600

The program offers financial planning assistance and consumer affairs services to soldiers, DOD

civilians and family members.

The services include training in basic financial skills, information on consumer goods and services, budgeting and debt liquidation workshops, and classes on the use and abuse of credit. Also provides debt liquidation services, checkbook management counseling, and financial planning assistance.

Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)

In accordance with AR 608-75, the Exceptional Family Member Program is a mandatory enrollment program that is based on public law and Department of Defense mandates. It works with other military and civilian agencies to provide comprehensive and coordinated medical, educational, housing, community support, and personnel services to families with special needs. Early enrollment in the program is the soldier's guarantee that the Army will do its best to match the soldier's grade and specialty

with a location were the exceptional family member's needs can be met. Soldiers who are enrolled are still subject, however, to worldwide assignment, and like any other soldier, may be called upon to serve an unaccompanied tour. Soldiers are enrolled permanently in the program unless medical or special education needs warrant case closure or the soldier is separated from the Army. Soldiers are responsible for keeping their exceptional family member's medical and/or special education documentation current. A review is required as exceptional family member's condition changes or at least every three years whichever comes first.

Name: Exceptional Family Member Program

Coordinator

POC: Kerry Dauphinee

Address: ACS, Bldg 2797, 2010 Stanley Rd Ste 95

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2705 FAX: (210) 221-2040 DSN Phone: 471-2418 DSN FAX: 471-2040

E-Mail: Kerry.Dauphinee@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0715-1600.

Household Goods In-Bound Shipments

Contact the following offices as soon as possible after your arrival. The transportation office needs a telephone number and address where you can be reached. As soon as you have a delivery address for your household goods, provide this information to the transportation office. If at all possible, accept delivery of your personal property as soon as it arrives. Call the transportation office to obtain status of inbound household goods.

This information has been compiled from military personnel and family members who are preparing for shipment of household goods. It is based on entitlements found in the Joint Federal Travel Regulation (JFTR) and the It's Your Move booklet by American Forces Information the Department of Defense. Generally, the Permanent Change of Station (PCS) and arrangement of household goods begin once the service member receives orders from the Personnel Support Detachment (PSD). Specific arrangements for personal shipments normally begin at the local transportation office.

STORAGE: The government provides two types of storage, temporary and non-temporary. Temporary

storage can run for up to 90 days. It can be used at origin, enroute or at destination. An additional 90 day extension can be obtained by submitting a formal request in writing. Non-temporary storage is long-term storage authorized in specific cases, such as an overseas assignment, sea duty or duty under instruction.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AT DELIVERY:

You (or the representative you have designated in writing) must be at home on the day of delivery. You must:

- 1) Know in advance where you want each piece of furniture placed. The mover is required to place each piece only once.
- 2) Check each carton or item off the inventory. Make sure everything that was picked up is delivered.
- 3) List any damage or missing items with appropriate inventory numbers on the DD Form 1840, "Joint Statement of Loss or Damage at Delivery," to avoid problems. Make sure you look over your property and list any missing inventory line items or noticeable damage at this time.

CARRIER'S RESPONSIBILITIES AT DESTINATIONS:

You can expect the carrier to begin delivery of your shipment between the hours of 0800 and 1700 and complete service by 2100.

- 1) Place each item or carton in the room you indicate. This includes placement of unpacked articles in cabinets, cupboards or on kitchen shelves when convenient and consistent with the safety of the articles and in the order that it is unwrapped or unpacked.
- 2) Assemble all furniture and equipment disassembled by the movers at origin.
- 3) Remove packing and blocking from appliance. The carrier is not required to connect appliances to electric, gas or water outlets.
- 4) Remove all packing materials resulting from the unpacking.
- 5) If you decide to do some or all of your unpacking, the carrier is not required to go back to pickup any carton or trash.

6) Jointly with you, make a written record of any loss or damage on the DD Form 1840, "Joint Statement of Loss or Damage at Delivery," sign the document and obtain your signature. The carrier must leave three copies of the DD Form 1840/1840R with you.

REPAIRS - Do not dispose of or repair any damaged property without prior approval from the Claims Office. The carrier, Claims Office or other interested party has a right to inspection of such items. The Claims Office will furnish you disposition instructions.

TRACING - Report items missing from your shipment to JPPSO (210) 321-4200, or 1-800-599-7709 for tracing immediately. Have your annotated inventory on hand and your copies of DD Form 1840 in order to supply inventory numbers. Do not delay your report to the Claims Office while awaiting completion of your tracer request.

Name: Joint Personal Property Shipping Office (IPPSO)

Address: 613 N.W. Loop 410, Suite 400

City: San Antonio, TX 78216-5518

Phone: (210) 321-4200 or 1-800-599-7709

Comments:

The Joint Personal Property Office (JPPSO) is responsible for all shipments inbound to this area. For all inbound inquiries, contact JPPSO.

Customer Assistance - Customer Assistance will be provided by JPPSO. They will monitor carrier performance and delivery services on a regular basis. If any problem arises between you and the carrier, such as excessive damage or failure to provide adequate unpacking or assembly of items, it is to be reported immediately (during delivery) to Customer Service at (210)321-4200, or 1-800-599-7709, or hotline after 1700 hrs (210)827-5493.

Name: Shipments of Privately Owned Vehicles

POC: Transportation Office

Address: Bldg 367

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: 210-221-1605 **DSN Phone:** 471-1605

Comments:

Soldier having an authorization to ship or store privately owned vehicle should contact the Transportation Office located in Bldg 367.

Name: Transportation Office

POC: Receptionist

Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5002

Phone: (210) 221-1605 **DSN Phone:** 471-1605

Comments:

Hours: 0715-1600 weekdays. Soldiers trying to arrange outbound personal property moves should contact the Transportation Office located in Building 367, or call 210-221-1605.

Name: Travel Services

Address: Bldg 367

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 225-5370

Comments:

Soldiers can arrange for both domestic and international travel through the Transportation Office located in Bldg 367. Services provided include a Commercial Travel Office for ticketing for domestic travel; a Travel Section for arranging individual Portcalls for international travel; and a Passport Office for processing of applications for official passports/visas. For Domestic travel contact (210) 221-5370; and International travel and passports contact (210) 221-2629.

Household Goods Out-Bound Shipments

Start planning your move at least 30 days in advance normally provides best results. Generally, you may ship household goods anytime after you receive permanent change of station orders. There are few exceptions, so call or visit your Transportation Management Officer for time frames applying to your situation. Delaying the visit only creates hardships for everyone. However, for assignments to Overseas, it might be best to wait until the the Overseas Screening for the assignment has been completed before contacting the Transportation Office.

If you can't personally visit the Transportation Office, you may appoint someone to act in your behalf. This appointment must be made in writing and a copy of it must be furnished to the Transportation Office arranging your move. Either a notarized letter of authorization signed by you or a power of attorney, which your Legal Assistance Office will help you draw up and sign, may be used. Be sure the person you choose knows what you want and has all the facts necessary to make the right arrangements. Remember, your agent acts in your behalf. You are responsible for his or her decisions and actions. You

must also provide your agent with sufficient copies of your orders.

When you go to Transportation Office, be prepared. You should have:

- An idea of when you want to move. Be as flexible as possible.
- The date on which you plan to arrive at your new duty station.
- An idea of the types of shipments you expect to have and the estimated weight of each.
- A list of large or unusual items (piano, pool table, china cabinet, wall units, etc.).
- Twelve copies of your orders to provide sufficient copies for each type of shipment you expect to have.
- Power of attorney or letter notarized of authorization if your representative will be handling the move in your absence.

Documents to be prepared:

A counselor at the Transportation Office will interview you and prepare the DD Form 1299, "Application for Shipment and/or storage of Personal Property." Carefully read the form before you sign. Wrong information can cost you money and delay your shipment. When you sign the DD Form 1299, you are agreeing to pay any excess costs incurred with the move and/or storage of your property. Never sign a blank form. Don't forget that an estimate of the weight of your professional books, paper and equipment must be on the form. This constitutes an official declaration of intent to ship professional materials.

You will get a copy of all the forms you sign. Keep them close at hand because they are necessary if you want to locate your shipment, change its destination or make a claim. These are important documents. Do not lose them. Do not pack them in your household goods shipment.

SELF-MOVE PROGRAM - DO-IT-YOURSELF (DITY) MOVE:

If the PCS orders are within the continental US, you may get written permission from the Transportation Office to do a Do-It-Yourself (DITY) move. If you do this option, you will receive 95 percent of what it would cost the government to hire a commercial

mover to move your goods. If you move yourself for less than that, you get to pocket the difference. Of course, if you find that your self-moving costs are higher than the 95 percent allotted, you must make up the difference.

YOU MUST GET APPROVAL FROM THE TRANSPORTATION OFFICE "BEFORE" A DITY MOVE IN ORDER TO COLLECT YOUR MONEY, and you must still comply with the weight regulations. Then you must make your own arrangements for truck rental and packing supplies. These costs must be paid from your 95 percent. DITY movers, like regular movers, are entitled to travel allownce, per diem, mileage, and \$40,000 insurance coverage from the government in certain situations.

On the day of your appointment make sure you have the following with you:

- Complete set of orders or travel certificate (separation without orders) 7 copies.

If you are using your own truck or trailer, you must have the vehicle registration.

If you are borrowing a vehicle, you must have a letter of permission to use the vehicle and the vehicle registration.

- If you are moving a boat and trailer, please bring in the registration.

Name: PASSPORT & PORT CALL OFFICE

Address: Bldg 367 (Corner Stanley Road &

Reynolds Road)

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1629/2405/1502

Comments:

Hours: Mon - Fri, 0715-1600.

Dependents of personnel being assigned to Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico do not require military

passports.

All dependents, without regard of age, proceeding overseas on official business to a country requiring a passport must posses a valid "no-fee" passport. Military members are to bring a copy of DA Form 4787 (Reassignment Processing) to the passport office and pick-up passport applications for dependents. Passport processing time is 4 - 6 weeks. Therefore applications should not be delayed.

PORT CALLS: All military members are required to bring a copy of their orders to bldg 367, in order to establish a port call, as soon as possible.

PETS: Talk to us about pets travel.

Name: Transportation Office/Out-Bound

Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.

Phone: (210) 221-3343/3695 **DSN Phone:** 471-3343/3695

Comments:

Hours: 0715-1600

Household Goods Claims

Notify the Transportation Management Office of all your loss or damage. This must be accomplished in less than 70 days and must be done even if you recorded the discrepancies at delivery on the DD 1840. This notification allows the Transportation Management Office to formally put the carrier on notice of the loss and damage and to trace for missing items. This is accomplished by the Transportation Management Office forwarding a DD 1840 to the carrier.

What to take to the Claims Office:

Take all the paperwork associated with your move. This should include:

Copy of DD 1299 (Application for Shipment of Household Goods)

Copy of Orders (or other document issued in lieu of orders that authorized you to ship your property)

Copy of Household goods Descriptive Inventory made by the movers who packed and loaded your property.

Copy of General or Specific power of Attorney granting you authority to file the claim if you are not the service member to whom the orders were issued.

Name: Claims Office

POC: Staff Judge Advocate

Address: Bldg 153, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1973/2161

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri, 0800-1600, closed Wednesdays. When loss or damage occurs, contact the Claims Office, Staff Judge Advocate, as soon as possible. Failure to notify the Claims Office within 70 days after delivery may negate the recovery rights of the government against the carrier. ANY AMOUNT THE GOVERNMENT FAILS TO RECOVER FROM THE CARRIER AS A RESULT OF YOUR DELAY IN FILING OF CLAIM MAY BE DEDUCTED FROM THE AMOUNT DUE YOU. Consequently, your claim recovery will be significantly reduced. Documents required to support your claim are listed below. DO NOT DELAY filing your claim, even if you do not have complete documentation.

Household Goods Weight Allowances

Your weight allowance is the maximum weight that can be moved at government expense under the Joint Federal Travel.

You, not your transportation officer or carrier, are responsible for staying within their weight allowance. If the weight of items packed, shipped or stored exceeds that amount, you must pay all charges connected with the excess weight. For this reason, estimating the weight of your household goods is very important.

NOTE: If both members of a dual military couple are grade E-3 or below, the couple is entitled to a combined weight allowance of 5,000 pounds when both are without dependents.

Overseas weight allowance could be weight restricted. Anywhere from 10% to 25% of your PCS weight allowance could be your limitation.

Household Goods Weight Allowances

Grade	Allowance w/Dependents	Allowance wo/Dependents
E1	5,000	1,500
E2	5,000	1,500
E3	5,000	2,000
E4	7,000	3,500
E5	9,000	7,000
E6	11,000	8,000
E7	12,500	10,500
E8	13,500	11,000
E9	14,500	12,000
W-1	12,000	10,000
W-2	13,500	12,500
W-3	14,500	13,000
W-4	17,000	14,000
O-1	12,000	10,000
O-2	13,500	12,500
O-3	14,500	13,00
O-4	17,000	14,000
O-5	17,500	16,000
O-6+	18,000	18,000

POV In-Bound Shipments

The Transportation Management Office does not process in-bound shipment of POV's. It is the service member's responsibility to contact the receiving port. If your vehicle arrives at the destination port ahead of you, it will be held at the terminal. Limited terminal space and prolonged storage may eventually cause the terminal to move your POV to a commercial storage facility. You must pay the cost of the commercial storage.

The port personnel will unload your vehicle, connect the battery and provide enough gasoline to get you to a gas station. They also unpack the accessories and emergency tools packed at origin and reinstall accessories as appropriate. Before the vehicle is released, the port personnel will conduct an inspection of the vehicle with you to identify and acknowledge any damage that occurred during shipment. The vehicle is released when you (or your agent) and the terminal inspector sign the DD Form 788 initiated at the origin port. Be sure you are given at least one copy of the signed form.

To avoid problems, check with your transportation office before taking your POV to a port. Ensure that the particular port you want to take your vehicle to services your area. Call this processing center for more information.

Name: DALLAS POV Processing Center
Address: 617 East Main St.
City: Lewisville,, TX 75067
Phone: 1-800-438-2046
Comments:
Mon-Fri, 0730-1600.

Name: Ft. Sam Houston-POV Processing Center	
Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.	
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234	
Phone: (210) 221-2812/1831	
DSN Phone: 471-2812/1831	
Comments:	
You may call 1800-438-2046. Hours: Mon-Fri	
0730-1600	

POV Out-Bound Shipments

Your Transportation Management Office counselor will advise you about documents needed for shipping a POV. The counselor will also tell you which ocean ports serve the duty station you are leaving and the one you are reporting to overseas.

Also the counselor can provide a copy of the booklet, "Shipping Your POV", which provides general information of value and specific information on the various ports.

Name: Ft. Sam Houston-POV Processing Center

Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd. **City:** Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1605/2533 **DSN Phone:** 471-1605/2533

Comments:

You may call 1800-438-2046. Hours: Mon-Fri

0730-1600.

POV Claims

Name: Claims Office

POC: Staff Judge Advocate

Address: Bldg 134, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1973/2161

Comments:

Hours: Mon, Tues, and Thurs 0730-1430. Closed on

Wednesday and Friday.

Pet Boarding/Kennels

San Antonio has a leash law; your dog must be either on a leash or in fenced yard. All animals must be registered either ON Post or OFF Post if you reside in the community. The Fort Sam Houston Veterinary Service provides Health Certificates and vaccinations. Please keep both documents current at all times.

Please plan in advance, if you are traveling with animals, for the Fort Sam Houston Guest House and many motels in the area do NOT allow pets. Let your sponsor assist you with this task.

The record listings have the names, numbers and a brief description of kennels in the nearby communities. For the complete listing check the Yellow Pages of our local phone directory.

Name: Kennel	
POC: Rob Cary Kennels	
Address: 14824 Bulverde	
City: San Antonio, TX 78247	
Phone: (210) 494-7787	

Name: Kennel
POC: Evelyn Grelle, Manager
Address: 203 West Sunset
City: San Antonio, TX 78209
Phone: (210) 822-0003
FAX: (210) 822-0618

Name: Kennel
POC: Austin Highway Veterinary Hosp.
Address: 1445 Austin HWY
City: San Antonio, TX 78209

Pet Licensing

Phone: (210) 826-6383

If your pet has a current vaccination certificate, bring it for licensing to any of the following agencies.

The Animal Defense League has "vaccination drives" and pets can receive shots at reduced rates. Call (210) 655-1373. You may adopt a dog or cat from Ft. Sam Veterinary Clinic or at ADL's Adoption Center (210-655-1481) or at the Humane Society (210-226-7461).

Name: (OFF POST)
POC: San Antonio Animal Control
Address: 210 Tuleta Street
City: San Antonio, TX 78212
Phone: (210) 207-6400
DSN Phone: 471-6400
Comments:
You can register your pet at the above address or at

Customer Service at most HEB Stores.

Name: (ON POST)

POC: Ft. Sam Houston Veterinary Treatment Facility

Address: Bldg 2186, 2133 North Pine St

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-6231

Phone: (210) 295-4260 **DSN Phone:** 421-4260

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1600. If you live on post, pet

must be registred at Fort Sam Houston Clinic.

Name: Port Call Office
Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 221-1629/1656

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600. If your relocating to any overseas installation, please contact the port call office as soon as possible. There are many arrangements you have to take care if you are planning to take your pet with you. Plan ahead, the sooner the better for you and your pet.

Pet Quarantines

There are no quarantines for dogs or cats in Texas. For other country quarantine information call (210) 221-1656 or the Veterinary Service on post at (210) 295-VETS(4262).

Veterinary Services

Services Provided by the Fort Sam Houston Veterinary Treatment Facility:

- 1. Yearly vaccinations for distemper/parvo, rabies, cat distemper, leukemia.
- 2. Heartworm and leukemia tests.
- 3. Fecals to check for intestinal parasites.
- 4. Health certificates.
- 5. Sick call--limited to zoonotic disease (diseases contagious to people and pets).
- 6. Prescription medications for fleas and heartworm prevention.

These are only available with proof of current vaccinations, a negative heartworm test, and after the pet has been seen by a military vet within the past 12 months.

PET REGISTRATION: All pets living on post are required to be registered at the Veterinary Treatment Facility within 30 days of arrival. Registration is done in person, and we will need proof of current vaccinations. If your pet is overdue for vaccinations, we will schedule them prior to registering the pet. Pets living off post should be registered with the city in which they live. In San Antonio, pets may be registered at most HEB stores.

HEALTH CERTIFICATES: Health certificates are required for all pets who travel by airline. We recommend a health certificate for anyone who is PCSing with a pet. We also recommend a health certificate for anyone vacationing with a pet, because some states will not allow pets from Texas to enter without a current health certificate. Health certificates need to be issued within 10 days of departure and the veterinarian will need to see the pet, so call for an appointment.

RABIES VACCINATIONS: Texas requires yearly vaccination for rabies, even if your pet received a 3 year vaccine previously.

SICK PETS: The Veterinary Treatment Facility does not offer emergency services and sees patients by appoinment only. It is a good idea to establish records with a local veterinarian for emergency care and any illness your pet may have.

LOST PETS:

All pets lost or straying on post are turned into the Veterinary Treatment Facility by the Military Police. Pets on post are required to be kept on a leash during walks. If your pet should stray away from home, check with us as soon as possible to see if it was impounded. We hold pets for 3 working days before making them available for adoption. If you are thinking of getting a new pet, consider checking with us to see what we have to offer.

OUTDOOR PETS:

Dogs who are kept outdoors are required to have a dog house and a constant supply of water available to them. This is especially important in the summer, because Texas is very hot. Wading pools for children make good dog pools, too.

Name: Veterinary Service
Address: Bldg 2186, 2133 North Pine St
City: Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234-6231
Phone: (210) 295-4262
DSN Phone: 421-4262
Comments:
Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1600.

Pet Transportation

Check with Fort Sam Houston Veterinary Treatment Facility as to the requirements to ship a pet to a specific area. Shipping requirements, and rabies shots vary depending upon the area the pet is to be shipped to.

Name: Site Agency
Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 221-1656/1629
Comments:
Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600. Contact Port Call

PCS Reporting Procedures

Office for pet shippment information.

Upon arrival at Fort Sam Houston, officers should sign the register at the headquarters unit or activity to which they have been assigned. Enlisted soldiers should sign in at their orderly room or with the charge of quarters of the organization to which they have been assigned or attached. All soldiers, officers and enlisted, should check with their unit personnel NCO reference security processing.

Permanent Party soldiers inprocessing should report to Personnel in building 367 at 0720 and should bring their 201 file, health and dental records, assignment memorandum from the company, duty memorandum, education records (if applicable), leave form (DA-31) signed by approving authority, orders, and payroll suspense documents envelope (DA 2356).

Finance, Personnel, Housing, Security, Vehicle Registration, and Transportation are located in building 367 to serve your relocation needs. For more information or assistance call information at (210)221-9274/9268 or DSN: 471-9274/9268.

ATTENTION NEWCOMERS: The Newcomers' Extravaganza is "MONDATORY" for all permanent party inprocessing soldiers LTC and below to attend the Newcomers' Extravaganza within 60 days of their arrival. Please see the enclosed schedule.

30 Oct 01 and 28 Nov 01.

For additional information call the ACS, Relocation Manager at (210) 221-2705 or DSN 471-2705 or E-mail: site4405fshtx@cen.amedd.army.mil

Name: INPROCESSING

Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-9274/9268

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0715-1600. For more information see must know items topic and bring your 201 file

and DA-31.

Name: OUTPROCESSING

Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-9274/9268

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0715-1600. For more information

see must know items topic.

Separation Procedures

Separation/retirement procedures for the military are handled by Transition Services Office. For information and time-line guidance, please call Transition Service.

* Transition Services * In/Out Processing * ACAP (Checklist)

Name: Transition Services

POC: Receptionist

Address: Bldg 2267, Hancock St.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2964/0761 **FAX:** (210) 221-9284

DSN Phone: 471-2964/0761

DSN FAX: 471-9284

Comments:

The Transition Services Office is dedicated to offering quality service to active duty and retired soldiers and their families. This office separates, discharges and retires active duty personnel. Assistance for the retired community is offered, but not limited to: survivor's assistance, any pay problems or changes, re-issuance of 1099Rs, address changes to DFAs, and publication of annual newsletter. The Retirement Services Officer serves as the Installation Commander's representative on the Fort Sam Houston Retiree Council which serves as a voice for the military retiree.

When property is removed from nontemporary storage and shipped on retirement/separation orders, temporary storage is not authorized at destination. If the shipment's origin is within 150 miles of destination, you are allowed one hour waiting time after your shipment arrives at destination. If the shipment's origin is over 150 miles from the the destination, you are allowed 2 hours waiting time. If you or your agent can not be located within the time allowed, your shipment must be placed in storage at your expense.

Casualty/Mortuary Affairs provides casualty service for all active duty and retired personnel in the Fort Sam Houston area of resposibility. Mortuary Affairs provides service to active duty personnel and some retirees depending upon the place of demise.

Billeting

Single service members and geographic bachelors seeking on-base quarters must contact the Billeting Office.

Name: Billeting Office

POC: Receptionist

Address: Bldg 3625, George C. Beach Ave.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 357-2705 or 1-800-462-7691 **DSN Phone:** NO DSN PHONE NUMBER

Comments:

Hours: Open 24 hours daily. Check in facility,

check out 1100 daily.

The billeting office "doesn't" have DSN number, but

you may call 1-800-462-7691.

Name: Billeting-TDY or PCS

Address: Bldg 592

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 357-5004

Name: CAMPING RESERVATIONS OFFICE

POC: Canyon Lake Reservations 1-888-882-9878

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5224/5225

Comments:

Canyon Lake Office (210) 964-3318.

Unaccompanied PCS

All incoming officer/enlisted (TDY and PCS) will report to building 367 on Stanley Road for sign-in.

The Unaccompanied Personnel Housing Office maintains 592 on-post quarters for unaccompanied military members in PCS, TDY or visitors status. Fifty officers' quarters and 51 senior enlisted quarters are available to eligible permanent party members, and 456 visiting officer quarters and 49 visiting enlisted quarters are available for TDY and transient people. In addition, a limited number of distinguished visitor quarters are available to those TDY or PCS, those on leave and retired officers in grades 0-6 and above. For reservations call (210) 357-5003, DSN 471-5003.

Reservations for these spaces may be made in writing to the Unaccompanied Personnel Housing Ofc, Bldg 592, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-5000, or by telephone, DSN 471-5004 or (210) 357-5004.

Fort Sam Houston maintains a guest facility located in Bldg 3625, George C. Beach Ave. The guest house has central air and heat, equipped with community laundry and kitchen facilities. All rooms have color televisions and telephones. No pets. Members are authorized its use on the priorities listed below:

- > Active-duty military of all grades with or without family memebers, departing or arriving PCS, while clearing quarters or housing in the civilian community.
- > Visiting relatives and guests of patients in military hospitals.
- > Active and retired military and other members authorized and undergoing outpatient medical treatment required to stay overnight at or near a military facility.
- > Guest visiting service members stationed at the installation.
- > Military on TDY, assigned involuntarily to the guest house accommodations on a space-available basis in the absence of adequate VOQ or VEQ.
- > Transient military on leave and transient military members on a space-available basis.

Maximum length of guest house occupancy for those arriving PCS is 60 days without loss of BAQ, and for those departing in PCS status is seven days. Occupancy by all other guests will not exceed seven days.

Name: Travel Office-Commercial Travel
POC: Carlson Travel Network
Address: Bldg 2434, Allen Rd.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 225-5261
Comments:
Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1700 Sat 0800-1600

Name: Travel Office-Military Travel
POC: Carlson Travel Network
Address: Bldg 367, Stanley Road
City: Fort Sam Hoston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 225-5370

Support Services

Support Services Overview

Fort Sam Houston offers a wide range of support services operated by agencies on post as well as off post. The record listings of related subjects provide specific program overviews. For information on special services not listed, please contact: Name: Relocation Assistance Program

POC: Alicia V. Tyson

Address: Bldg 2797, 2010 Stanley Rd, Suite 95

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2418 **FAX:** (210) 221-2040 **DSN Phone:** 471-2418 **DSN FAX:** 4712040

E-Mail: sites4405.fshtx@cen.amedd.army.mil

Family Centers

The role of the Army Community Service (ACS) is to assist commanders in maintaining readiness of individuals, families, and communities within America's Army by developing, coordinating, and delivering services which promote self-reliance, service, and stability during war and peace time. The Army Community Service provides information, assistance and guidance to members of the Army community in meeting personal and family problems beyond the scope of their own resources.

The Army Community Service is a military organization composed of a small nucleus of assigned military and civilian personnel who do their best to serve you in providing information, services and support necessary for you and your family to maintain a high quality of life while at Fort Sam Houston.

Fort Sam Houston Army Community Service offers the following services:

*** Information & Referral (I & R)

*** Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)

*** Relocation Assistance Program (RAP)

*** Consumer Affairs & Financial Assistance Program (CAFAP)

*** Army Emergency Relief (AER)

*** Family Advocacy Program (FAP)

*** Installation Volunteer Program (IVC)

*** Army Family Team Building (AFTB)

*** Community Programs

We urge every newcomer to visit ACS and to keep our services in mind in case they would be needed.

Name: Army Community Service

POC: Rita Dalton, Chief

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705, DSN 471-2418/2705

FAX: (210) 221-2040, DSN 471-2040

Name: Community Programs Manager

POC: Kim Miller

Address: ACS, Bldg 2797, 2010 Stanley Rd, Suite

95

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2705 **FAX:** (210) 221-2040 **DSN Phone:** 471-2705

DSN FAX: 471-2040

Comments:

The Community Programs Manager develops, administers, and supervises a variety of human services and community programs designed to enhance the quality of life for soldiers, retirees, civilian employees, and family members. Programs available to the community include, but are not limited to, Army Family Team Building (AFTB), Army Family Action Plan (AFAP), Community Service Restitution, Community Information Exchange, Private Organizations and Informal Fund Activities, Volunteer Advisory Council, Volunteer Placement, Awards, and Recognition, and Special Events and Emphasis Program for the installation.

Information and Referral

One of the reasons you may be anxious to visit or live in San Antonio may be for the many attractions that the city is known for, the Alamo, the peaceful Riverwalk, or our rich melting pot of cultural influences. But it is the caring spirit of the people here that makes San Antonio a great place to live. San Antonians of all ages, races, religions and ethnic backgrounds are committed to caring for their fellow man. One of the simple ways to assist is by linking the individual in need to the appropriate agency or service that will eliminate or alleviate that need. The following are a few of the many agencies that will assist you either on/off the post.

Name: Employer Assistance Program

POC: ACAP Center

Address: Bldg 2264, Stanley Rd. City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1213

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0715-1600. The Army Career and Alumni Program (ACAP) Center provides transition services and job assistance to soldiers, civilian employees and family members leaving the Army, voluntarily or involuntarily, under honorable conditions. Members of other Defense Department organizations are also eligible. At Fort Sam Houston, we also serve others in transition; family members arriving or departing on PCS, college and high school students seeking employment, spouses returning to school or the work place, and soldiers interested in information when making career decisions.

Name: Information and Referral

POC: Kerry Dauphinee

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705

FAX: (210) 221-2040 DSN Phone: 471-2418 DSN FAX: 471-2040

E-Mail: Kerry.Dauphinee@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

Hours: Mon - Fri 0730-1615. This program provides soldiers and their family members information on military and civilian community resources. The program also assists personnel with problem cases in obtaining support services by providing referral and follow-up assistance.

Name: Non Commissioned Officers Association

(NCOA)

Address: 10635 IH 35 North City: San Antonio, TX 78233

Phone: (210) 653-6161

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1700

The Non Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA) is a federally chartered, non-profit, fraternal association founded in 1960. The Fort Sam Houston River City Chapter meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 1800 hours at the NCO Club.

Its purpose is to:

- 1) Uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States and support a strong national defense with a focus on military personnel issues.
- 2) Promote health, prosperity and scholarship among its members and their families through legislative and benevolent programs.
- 3) Improve benefits for service members, veterans, their family members and survivors in filing benefit claims.

NCOA's membership includes active duty, reserve, national guard, veteran, and retired military personnel who have served honorably in the enlisted grades of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard.

NCOA provides it members with a broad range of highly personalized services, programs, endorsed products, and merchant discounts through a network of more than 225 chapters and approximately 125 service centers at or near major military installations throughout the United States and abroad.

Name: Retiree Service POC: Ms. Thomas

Address: Bldg 2267, Hancock St.

City: Fort Sam Hoston, TX 78234-5020

Phone: (210) 221-9004 **DSN Phone:** 471-9004

Comments:

The Retirement Services office is dedicated to quality service to the retiree community. This office serves over 20,000 retirees and family members. The Fort Sam Houston Retiree Council serves as a voice for the military retiree. For appointments call 221-1958.

Name: Suicide Prevention Hotline

POC: Social Work Service **Address:** BAMC, 3rd Floor

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 916-3020

Name: USO of San Antonio and Central Texas

POC: Bruce Ladman
Address: 420 E. Commerce
City: San Antonio, TX
Phone: (210) 227-9373

Comments:

The USO is located near the Riverwalk in the Riverbend Parking Garage. The USO provides off-duty recreational facilities and individual and family support services to military personnel and their families. In addition, the USO offers information and referral, newcomers orientation, tours, income tax preparation, TV, movies, telephones, billard area, check room and family room, holiday activities and meals. Volunteer opportunities exist in all areas of center operations.

HOURS: CLOSED MONDAY AND TUESDAY; 0900-1700 Wednesday and Thursday; 0900-2230 Friday and Saturday 0900-1730 Sunday

Eligibility/Fees: Must show valid military or military dependent ID card. Fees charged only for specific recreational activities.

Name: United Way of San Antonio and Bexar

County Inc.,

Address: 700 South Alamo, P.O. Box 898

City: San Antonio, TX 78293-0898 **Phone:** (210) 227-4357 (Help Line)

Comments:

Hours: 0815-1645 weekdays.

The United Way identifies and responds to human care needs on the local level through the promotion of voluntarism and plans, with other public and private organizations for the rational development of services to meet those human care needs. Main telephone (210) 352-7000.

Name: Veterans Center

POC: Hilario Martinez, LMSW

Address: 231 W. Cypress, Suite 100.

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 472-4025

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1630. The Veterans Center provides services to eligible veterans and their families. Offers individual, group and family counseling on issues pertaining to post traumatic stress disorder and adjustment to civilian life.

Financial Assistance Programs

The Fort Sam Houston Financial Program offers financial planning assistance and consumer affairs services to soldiers, DOD civilians and family members.

The services include training in basic financial skills, information on consumer goods and services, budgeting and debt liquidation workshops, and classes on the use and abuse of credit. Also provides debt liquidation services, checkbook management counseling, and financial planning assistance.

Name: Financial Assistance Program

POC: Gerd Jacobi

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2418 FAX: (210) 221-2040 DSN Phone: 471-2418 DSN FAX: 471-2040

E-Mail: Gerd.Jacobi@cen.amedd.army.mil

Emergency Assistance

Army Emergency Relief (AER) provides financial assistance to eligible active duty soldiers, retired and their dependents, to meet unforseen emergencies such as emergency transportation and vehicle repair, food, rent, utilities, funeral expenses, medical/dental expenses and when applicable due to extraordinary costs involved with permanent change of station (PCS). Ask about student loans for dependents of soldiers.

When requesting for a loan you must present your Military ID card, Leave and Earning Statement, Leave or PCS orders and substantiating documents (car repair estimate, rental agreement, utility bill etc.).

If you need AER financial assistance, first see your unit commander. Then go to your AER Section, if there is no AER Section, go to any of the following agencies: American Red Cross Chapter, Air Force Aid Society Section, Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Auxiliary or Coast Guard Mutual Assistance Office.

Note: You can contribute to your local AER fund campaign or send your contribution to AER National Headquarters, Department of the Army, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA 22332-0600. The AER campaign began March 1st thru May 15 worldwide.

Name: American Red Cross (ARC)

Address: Bldg 2650

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5000

Phone: (210) 221-3355

Comments:

American Red Cross deals with all kinds of emergency communications and financial assistance. Other services include health and safety services. Contact the nearest chapter listed on the local phone directory.

For emergency after duty hours call (210)224-5151.

Name: Army Emergency Relief (AER)

POC: Lois Tonsall, AER Officer

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Road
City: Fort Sam Houston,, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-1612, DSN 471-1612

FAX: (210) 221-2040

Name: Suicide Prevention Hotline on Post
POC: Social Work Service
Address: Bldg 3600, George C. Beach Ave
City: Fort Sam Houston, TY 78234

Phone: (210) 916-3020, DSN: 429-3020

Name: Survivors Assistance-Active Duty
Address: Bldg 2263, Stanley Rd
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5000
Phone: (210) 221-1527, DSN: 471-1527

Name: Survivors Assistance-Retired
Address: Bldg 260
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 221-0981, DSN: 471-0981

Family Advocacy

The Family Advocacy Program works to prevent spouse and child abuse, protects victims of abuse, and treat the family. The program divides the responsibilities between two agencies, with the medical treatment facility having responsibility for all counseling and treatment and Army Community Service (ACS) FAP having the responsibility for education and prevention programs.

Name: Family Advocacy Program (FAP)
POC: Cynthia Taylor
Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095
Phone: (210) 221-2418
FAX: (210) 221-2040
DSN Phone: 471-2418
DSN FAX: 471-2040
E-Mail: cynthia.taylor@cen.amedd.army.mil

Name: Family Counseling
POC: DSW, Receptionist
Address: 3th floor, BAMC
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Phone: (210) 916-3020
Comments:
Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1630

Single Member Services

The Better Opportunity for Single Soldiers (BOSS) program is designed to target soldiers with innovative recreation programming and to provide input and feedback on quality of live issues between the single soldier, the installation staff and the command. This three-way communication provides more responsive

opportunities for soldiers to enhance personal excellence, readiness, and retention.

Name: Army Community Service Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705

FAX: (210) 221-2040 DSN Phone: 471-2418 DSN FAX: 471-2040

Comments:

Single soldiers offen believe that our services are targeted to families but this is not the case. Our agency was created in 1965 with the purpose to provide assistance, guidance and information to ALL members.

Services are in the areas of Financial Counseling, Budget Planning, Checkbook Maintenance and Consumer Credit which a single soldier can benefit and become an expert well before he/she married. If the single soldier has an emergency crisis situation, the Army Emergency Relief may be able to help out. Our Relocation Assistance Program has the most current information on the next duty station in case you are relocating. If you are feeling a bit stressed and need some help, how about a class in Stress Management with the Family Advocacy. So, please don't hesitate to call us. We are here for You!!

Name: Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS)

Address: Bldg 1462

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-4829

Comments:

The key to being a part of the Fort Sam Houston community is getting involved. Join a church or synagogue group, sign up for educational courses, recreational program, or take part in a special interest group such as a health club. For schedule of weekly activities on the installation read the comand bulletins, the Fort Sam Houston News Leader Newpaper and other newspapers circulating through the installation.

Name: Lonely hearts

POC: Chaplain Family Life Center

Address: Bldg 1721

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5432

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1700

Name: Premarital Workshop

POC: Chaplain Family Life Center

Address: Bldg 1721

City: Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5432

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1700. The Soldier & Family Ministry Center offer marriage orientations and an

enrichment retreat.

Support Groups

Army Community Service, Social Work Services, and Drug and Alcohol, provide a wide variety of support services for our military personal and family members. Also support groups for specialized needs can be found in the San Antonio community. Listed below are a few of the local support groups ON/OFF post. For additional programs not listed call Army Community Service, (210) 2212418/2705, DSN: 471-2418/2705.

Name: Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention Program

POC: Will Apkarian or Teana Martin

Address: Bldg 2797 Stanley Road

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-0133 **DSN Phone:** 471-0133

Comments:

Hours: 0730-1600 weekdays. The program helps to prevent alcohol and other drug abuse; to identify and to restore both military and civilian employees to effective duty as soon as possible.

Services of the program include, but are not limited to, outpatient, counseling, prevention or education, civilian counseling and referral, urinalysis, evaluation and follow-up, referral to other programs, and intervention. Eligible for programs are active duty military personnel, DA civilians, retirees, and their families.

Name: Alcoholics Anonymous

POC: Alcoholics Anonymous Services

Address: 8804 Tradeway
City: San Antonio, TX

Phone: (210) 828-6235 (Hot line) 24 Hrs.

Name: Exceptional Family Member

POC: Kerry Dauphinee

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705, DSN: 471-2418/2705

FAX: (210) 221-2040, DSN: 471-2040

E-Mail: Kerry.Dauphinee@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600.

The Exceptional Family Member Program is fully operational with a well organized support program including incoming/outgoing personnel records screening, a planning committee of community leaders which plans programs for the exceptional family members, and a support group.

Name: Family Counseling

POC: DSW, Receptionist

Address: Brooke Army Medical Center, 3rd Floor

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-6200 **Phone:** (210) 916-3020, DSN: 429-3020

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1630; on call social worker

available via emergency Room.

The BAMC's Outpatient Social Work Section provides outpatient social work evaluation and treatment for children/adolescents and their families, including individual, group, marital, and family counseling. Provides counseling for victims of sexual assaults, adolescent and adult pregnancies, and adoption planning.

Name: Family Readiness for Active duty

POC: Army Community Service **Address:** Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705, DSN: 471-

2418/2705

FAX: (210)221-2040, DSN: 471-2040

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1700.

Army Community Service provides the following support services to active duty and their families: Financial Assistance, Information/Referral, Relocation Services, Family Advocacy, Exceptional Family Member Program, Outreach Program and Financial Counseling/Consumer Affairs Education.

Name: Family Readiness for Reserve Component

POC: Fifth US Army, Famil Julia Bondurant **Address:** 1400 E. Grayson Street, Suite 146

City: Ft. Sam Houston, TX

Phone: (210) 221-2426

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1630.

Fifth U.S. Army consists of 2250 military and civilian personnel with the headquarters element located at Fort Sam Houston Texas. The majority of personnel are forward deployed to provide guidance and assistance to the Reser Components located throughout the 21 Western United States. Eleven Readiness Groups, three Regional training Brigades, three Field Training Groups and two Divisions(Exercise)enhance the reserve components. Fifth Army's mission is reserve component training and assistance, planning for the land Defense of the Western United States, and on order, provide assistance to civil authorities during peace time crises.

Name: Installation Volunteer Coordinator

POC: Kim Miller

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705

FAX: (210) 221-2040 DSN Phone: 471-2418

DSN FAX: 471-2040

E-Mail: kim.miller@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1600

This program provides an avenue for community involvement. Volunteers become part of a network from which they provide, as well as receive, support while developing friendships, skills, experience, and reference. Training is provided for all volunteer positions. Volunteer time and experience are documented and may be used on resumes and job applications.

Name: Steps to Effective Parenting

POC: Family Advocacy Program **Address:** Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020

Phone: (210) 221-2418

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1615.

Family Advocacy offers ongoing parenting classes: Anger Control, couples communication, spoiled rotten, stress management, and raising a thinking

child. Call for future schedules.

Name: Transition Services

Address: Bldg 2267, Hancock St. **City:** Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234 **Phone:** (210) 221-2964, DSN: 471-2964

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0700-1600.

The Transition Services Office is dedicated to offering quality service to active duty and retired soldiers and their families. This office separates, discharges and retires active duty personnel. Assistance for the retired community is offered, but not limited to: survivor's assistance, any pay problems or changes, re-issuance of 1099Rs, address changes to DFAs, and publication of the annual newsletter. The Retirement Services Officer serves as the Installation Commander's representative on the Fort Sam Houston Retiree Council which serves as a voice for the military retiree

Name: United Way

Address: 700 S. Alamo St.

City: San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 227-4357 (Help Line)

Comments:

The United Way Help line provides information, referral and crisis intervention services. It is staffed entirely by volunteers and it provides referrals to more than 300 non-profit, voluntary, and tax supported agencies. Not all of these agencies are funded by the United Way.

Morale, Welfare, and Recreation

Fort Sam Houston has a very complete Morale, Welfare and Recreation Program. There are a variety of activities open to active duty military members and their families, as well as DoD civilians working at Fort Sam Houston. Please see the listing that follows.

DIRECTORATE OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

& BUSINESS CENTER Director, James R. Evetts Bldg 124 Stanley Road

Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Comm: (210) 221-0933

DSN: 471-0933

RECREATION & FITNESS DIVISION

Chief, Les Walters Bldg 124, Stanley Road

Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020

Comm: (210) 221-2523

DSN: 471-2523 FAX: (210) 221-2890

Name: Army Travel Camp (ATC)

POC: Elizabeth Saffell, Manager **Address:** 3510 WW White Road

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020

Phone: (210) 221-5502

FAX: (210) 221-5527, DSN: 471-5527

DSN Phone: 471-5502 **DSN FAX:** 471-5527

Comments:

The Army Travel Camp has 50 RV pull through sites and 25 tent sites. The RV sites include hookups for water, 30 and 50 amp electric connections, and sewage. Each tent campsite has a picnic table, grill, lantern post, and nearby water outlets.

The landscaping around the campgrounds will be irrigated by re-use water. The camp store will offer commonly needed camping supplies. Travelers amenities include air conditioned bathrooms with showers, a coin operated laundry facility, a dump station with potable water for refilling water storage tanks, a covered pavilion, a children's playground, and a dog run for family pets.

Hours of operation 900 a.m. until 4 p.m. daily. The rates are \$14.00 per day for RV sites, \$8.00 per day for tent pads, and RV Dump Station, non-camp patrons \$3.00. Reservations may be made up to one year in advance. In the event the ATC is closed, please leave a message and we will return you call as soon as possible. Leave a message or fax authorized members name and address along with social security number, credit card number with expiration date. Visa/MasterCard/American Express accepted.

Name: Auto Craft Center **POC:** Ralph Riojas, Manager

Address: Bldg 2410

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 224-7046 **FAX:** (210) 221-4883

Comments:

Hours: Wed-Fri, 1300-2100, Sat & Sun, 0900-1700

Located on the corner of Funston and Schofied across the street of the PX Service Station. The Auto Craft Center offers facilities, equipment, technical instruction, skilled assistance, and problem solving services. Industrial/vocational experience offers a self-help alternative to commercially available repair garages. Patrons can reduce their automobile repair cost through hands on participation in mechanical repair and develop skills which sustain morale, enhance self-

development, and expand recreational opportunities.

Name: BOSS (Better Opportunities for Single

POC: Ben Paniagua, Director

Address: Bldg 1462

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-4829 **FAX:** (210) 221-9134 **DSN Phone:** 471-4829 **DSN FAX:** 471-9134

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1600.

The program is designed to improve the quality of life of single soldiers living on the installation. Quality of life issues include barracks conditions, dining facilities on post, transportation, communication, etc. Soldiers from every unit on post are represented during Boss Program Committee meeting, which meet the first and third Wednesday of each month at 1430 at the Hacienda Recreation Center. BOSS conducts a variety of social programs during the year that involve soldier, military and community partnerships.

Name: Bowling Center **POC:** Mr. David Laredo Address: Bldg 2521

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-3683/4740

Comments:

Hours: Tue-Thur, 0900-2200; Fri-Sat, 0900-2400;

Sun, 1100-2100.

The Bowling Center has 24 lanes, a snack bar, and pro shop which offers a wide selection of bowling items. The center has various leagues for all ages.

Name: Brigade Sports and Fitness Program

POC: Clinton, Nickels/Leroy, Williams

Address: Bldg 1281

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-3185/4893

FAX: (210) 221-3184

DSN Phone: 471-3185/4893

DSN FAX: 471-3184

Comments:

Located in the Academy Brigade area, the Brigade Gym (and Softball Fields and Football Fields) supports the fitness and sports needs of 3,500 military students of the Army Medical Center and School (AMEDDC&S). The facility includes a full size basketball court, the very latest in cardio vascular, weight training, and exercise machines and equipment. Is the headquarters for the student intramural sports program which consists of tournaments in all major sports. Additionally, an eight-sport unit level program is provided for the AMEDDC&S to include men and women's basketball, volleyball, softball, and men's flag football.

Name: Camp Bullis Outdoor Recreation Program

POC: Andy Keith, Chief **Address:** Bldg 6000

City: Camp Bullis, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 295-7577 **FAX:** (210) 698-2735 **DSN Phone:** 421-7577

Comments:

Located approximately 20 miles northwest of Fort Sam Houston on Military Highway, 2 miles North of Loop 1604. A hunting program is conducted during various seasons, held in conjunction with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department guidelines. Such program include Mourning Dove (early Sep, Oct, and 2 weeks in Jan); Deer and Turkey Archery (Oct); Quail (late Oct-late Feb); Deer and Turkey Regular Season (early Nov - early Jan); and Spring Turkey (Apr and May). Also available is fishing in the catfish pool, rifle range, 14 point field archery range, a park for picnicking, hunter safety/education classes, and a small fitness center. Hunting and fishing licenses can also be obtained here.

Name: Canyon Lake Recreation Area

POC: Sig Olsen, Chief

Address: On shore of Canyon Lake

City: 78234

Phone: (830) 964-3318

Comments:

For reservations call 1-888-882-9878.

Located 50 miles north of Fort Sam Houston, between I-35 and US-281, off FM-306. The 110 acre recreation area consists of 32 three bedroom house trailers, an Army Travel Camp with 31 water and electric hook-ups, and comfort station, a sales store, beach, numerous picnic/camp sites, party pavilion, 10 screen shelters, a large marina with pleasure boats, a fishing pier, a children's playground. Mobile homes are equipped with TV/VCR. They are available for monthly rental during off-peak season only. These units can be reserved up to one year in advance.

Name: Carson Wagonlit Travel Services

Address: Bldg 2434, at Allen & Funston Roads

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 225-5261

Comments:

This is a fully staffed Leisure Travel office to serve the Vacation and personal travel needs of active military, retiree's and DOD civilians.

We offer a special price FEDSAVER discounts on a full range of travel services including Tour and Cruise information, Airline tickets, Amtrak and Greyhound Bus tickets. Call (210) 225-5261 or 1-800-753-8505.

Name: Fishing, Boating, and Hunting Licenses

POC: Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept Address: 858 W. Rhapsody St. City: San Antonio, TX 78216

Phone: (210) 348-7375

Comments:

To obtain a fishing, boating, or hunting license at Fort Sam Houston, stop by the Information Tickets and Reservations Office, Bldg 2434, Allen Rd or call (210) 221-4634.

Also sold by the Parks & Wildlife Department, fishing licenses are sold at most sporting goods stores, supermarkets and other stores such as K-Mart and Wal-Mart.

Name: Frame Shop

Address: Bldg 407, Dickman

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 224-7125

Comments:

The Frame Shop offers a nice selection of fine prints, including Don Stiver. Custom framing is our specialty. Compare our quality and prices. Located in the lower level of the Officers' & Civilians' Club.

Name: Golf Course
POC: Dick Bartel

Address: Bldg 2901, Harry Wurzbach City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5863/4388

Comments: Hours: 0715-1800

The Fort Sam Houston Golf Course is a 36-hole course located at the northeast corner of the post on Harry Wurzbach Road.

Membership is open to active duty and retired military members and their families. The New Golf Club consists of a clubhouse with a dining room, pro-shop and locker rooms. The golf course is open seven days a week including most holidays.

Name: Hacienda Recreation Center

POC: Ben Paniagua, Chief

Address: Bldg 1462

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234 **Phone:** (210) 224-7250/221-4829

FAX: (210) 229-9134

Comments:

Hours: Sun-Thur 0800-2100, Fri-Sat 0800-2300

Located on the corner of Garden and W.W. White Road, the Hacienda Recreation Center is in the heart of the Army Medical Department Center and School training area. The Hacienda is a non-alcoholic and non-smoking environment with an auditorium, game room, TV room, music rooms, study rooms, a patio and fully equipped snack bar. Programs include fashion shows, special events ("Mr/Miss Hacienda" and Soldiers Show"), scholarship contests, dances, DJ's, tournaments, talent shows, concerts and a 15-Foot TV in the auditorium. The facility is home-away-from-home for hundreds of young soldiers residing in barracks. A snack bar is available, and soldiers particularly enjoy a big screen television featuring popular movies viewed from comfortable reclining chairs. Musical instruments are available for loan, and quiet study ares are constantly in use. The Hacienda is headquarters for an award winning and very active Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) Program.

Name: Harlequin Dinner Theater

POC: Florence Bunten

Address: Bldg 2652, Harney Rd. City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 222-9694

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 1200-1700, Sat 1300-1700

The Harlequin offers a year-round package of dining and theatrical entertainment. The Harlequin is available for special occasions, whether you need just a small room or a full facility with a catered banquet. For reservations call the above phone number.

Name: Information, Ticketing & Registration

Address: Bldg 2434, Allen Road City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-4634

Comments:

The Information, Ticketing & Registration office offers a wide range of discount tickets to various area attractions, events and amusements such as Seaworld, Fiesta Texas and other Six Flags parks. They also host a monthly Laredo, Mexico shopping trip as well as many other tours.

ITR service is available to Civil Service (current & retired), Military

(active, retired, reserve, and National Guard).

Name: Jimmy Brought Fitness Center

POC: Allen C. Force, Mana

Address: Bldg 320

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-1234/1342

FAX: (210) 221-1280

DSN Phone: 471-1234/1342

DSN FAX: 471-1280

Comments:

Located on Wilson Road, the 68,000 sq ft, facility is the hub of all sports and athletic training activities of the installation. The facility provides: a gymnasium (regulation basketball court with seating for up to 2,000 spectators, with three practice courts positioned across the width of the main floor); four regulation racquetball courts; a 25 meter indoor pool; an exercise room; a weight room; a cardiovascular room; men's and women's locker rooms; men's and women's sauna baths; an issue area and offices. The very latest exercise equipment is located throughout the facility. Classes in aerobics, swimming, etc., are scheduled regularly.

Name: Library

POC: Alfonso J. Butcher

Address: Bldg 1222

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-4702/4387

FAX: (210) 227-5921

Comments:

Hours: Wed-Sun 1100-2000, closed Mon-Tues

The library offers a full range of materials and services. In addition to books, magazines and newspapers, the library provides materials in variety of formats: Videos, records, tapes, large-print books, microfiche, art prints, pamphlets and computer indexes. An automated catalog simplifies locating materials and a librarian is always available to assist.

Typewriters, word processors and Internet are available. Copy and fax services are available for a small fee.

Name: NCO Club

Address: Bldg 1395, Chaffee Rd.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 224-2721

Comments:

Hours: Tue-Wed-Thur-Fri Open 1100-1300 for Lunch. Tues and Thru open at 7:00 p.m. for Bingo. Also Sat at 1300 and Sun at 1400 open for Bingo. Fri 1700-2400 Open for dance. The Sports Bar is open Tue-Thru-Fri from 1600-2400.

The NCO Club serves as a focal point for social and recreational functions. Programs are designed for the benefit of authorized patrons. Eligible personnel are: active duty, retired, DOD civilians, and family members. Eligible E-4 to E-9 Active duty and GS1 to GS6 civilian employees. There is a monthly membership fee of \$3-\$6.

Name: Officers' and Civilians' Club

Address: Bldg 407, Dickman Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX **Phone:** (210) 224-4211/3293

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Sat 1000-1400, Sun 1000-1530

The Officers'and Civilians Club serves as a focal point for protocol, social, and community functions on Fort Sam Houston, conducts a program of social, dining and recreational activities for its membership. Eligible personnel are: Active duty, retired, civilians, and family members. Available services include catering, dining, and the lounge.

Name: Outdoor Equipment Center (OEC)

POC: David D. Maple, Manager **Address:** Bldg 1111, Forage Rd **City:** Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5224/5225

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1700.

Located off Schofield and Garden Streets, the Outdoor Equipment Center stocks equipment such as, air conditioned and heated campers, a variety of pleasure and fishing boats. Other items include bass boats, pontoon boats, aluminum fishing boats, large family tents, and a variety of other camping, picnicking, and fishing equipment, barbecue grills and smokers on wheels, canopies, and ice chests. Our resale store provides items for camping. It also provides special order needs for recreational vehicles.

SALADO RECREATIONAL PARK - Located on Nursery Road (Northeast Fort Sam Houston) on the shore of Salado Creek. This 13 acre recreational park consists of two large patio areas and 10 picnic areas, which can be reserved a year in advance. The park amenities include 2 volleyball courts, large playground, plenty of room for playing games in open areas with picnic tables and barbecue grills. Picnic sites are strewn throughout the park covered by large oak trees.

USED CAR DISPLAY LOT - Located on Henry T. Allen Road, behind the Post Exchange. An area to display personally owned vehicles that are for sale.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE STORAGE LOT - Located on Garden Road near Wilson Road interchange. This area is available for long-term and short-term storage of large and small-wheeled vehicles to include boats, campers, and utility trailers.

Name: Post Intramural Sports Program

POC: Earl Young
Address: Bldg 961

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-4658/3593

FAX: (210) 221-4139

Comments:

Located in the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center and Dodd Field Athletic Complex, consists of a 12-sport intramural/unit level program for active duty personnel assigned to Fort Sam Houston to include men and women's basketball, volleyball, racquetball, softball (men, women and co-ed), bowling, flag football, golf, and tennis.

Name: Recreation & Fitness Division

POC: Les Walters, Chief

Address: Bldg 124, Stanley Road

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020

Phone: (210) 221-2523 **FAX:** (210) 221-1890 **DSN Phone:** 471-2523

Comments:

Name: Outdoor Recreation Branch
POC: Brian Chambers, Chief

Phone: (210) 221-0404

Name: Sports and Fitness Branch POC: Doug Stanley, Chief Phone: (210) 221-1342

The goal of the Recreation & Fitness Division (RFD), is to maximize the development of outdoor recreation facilities and activities to meet the needs of the entire military community. Good morale expedites the development of the soldier's mental and physical well being, which are key to combat readiness and effectiveness. RFD programs provide leisure time and activities, which suppor a quality of life commensurate with American values. Outdoor activities provide a means of attaining total fitness and strengthening of the family unit. The RFD eases the impact of unique aspects of military life, such as frequent relocations and deployment, in that most programs/activities are provided at all military installations throughout the world. Today's soldiers expect recreation and fitness programs, and want them to be as good as or better than similar programs offered off the installation.

Name: Riding Stables

POC: Barbara Thompson, Chief Address: Bldg 3550, Hawkins Rd. City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234 Phone: (210) 221-3795, 224-7207

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0700-1900, Sat-Sun 0700-1700.

Located east of Salado Creek, off Binz Engleman Road on Hawkins Road, the Riding Stables provides a complete horsemanship program consisting of pleasure riding, trail rides, and instruction on government owned horses. Facilities are available for the stabling of privately owned horses, and services such as feeding and stall cleaning are provided if desired. The Riding Stables supports numerous gatherings ranging from small birthday parties to very large organizational day celebrations. During the summer, youth horemanship programs are offered to children in 2 week sessions.

Name: Thrift Shop

Address: Bldg 230, Wilson Rd.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 225-4682

Comments:

Hours: Wed-Thurs, 0900-1400.

Open the second Saturday of the month, 0900-1300.

The Thrift Shop of Fort Sam Houston provides authorized personnel a convenient medium for the sale and/or purchase, at reasonable prices, of previously owned personal and/or household merchandise. Additionally, the shop engages in civic projects in support of the installation community organizations and activities. The success of the shop is dependent on volunteer support.

Name: Youth Services POC: Jeanne Warren Address: Bldg 1630

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (2100 221-4882/3502, DSN 471-4882/3502

Comments:

Youth Programs at Fort Sam Houston are under the direction of the Youth Center, bldg 1630. Business hours are Monday - Friday 1200-2000 p.m. Preteen recreation hours are Tuesday - Saturday 1500-2000 p.m. Teen recreation hours are Monday - Thursday 1500-2000 and Saturday 1500-2400. The Youth Center offers an extensive program of activities that include sports, camps, lock-ins, dances, workshops and seminars, classes, trips, homework centers, computer lab and much more. Come to Fort Sam Houston Youth Service, bring the family and join the fun!!!!

Chapel Services and Programs

For more information on this subject: Fort Sam Houston Chapel http://www.cs.amedd.army.mil/chaplain/

CHAPLAIN'S WELCOME

On behalf of the Fort Sam Houston Unit Ministry Team, welcome to one of the most dynamic religious programs in the entire Army.

Many opportunities exist for you and your family to grow spiritually while you are here. Whether you are arriving for a brief stay or to live here permanently, we offer a variety of religious programs designed to serve you. On this page are listings of the religious services that are offered on fort Sam Houston. (The entire activity schedule will be available at each chapel.) It will give you some idea of where to begin your participation. If you don't find everything you are looking for, please call my office at (210)221-5007. We are committed to do our best to serve you.

All of us, children, youth, and adults, are on a spiritual journey. At this intersection of your spiritual journey with ours, we hope to learn, grow, and serve together. We encourage you to take full advantage of the resources for spiritual growth and services offered here, and join us in serving God and country.

Please see Religious Activities for schedules of services.

Name: FSH Community Mentor Program

POC: Nancy Moore or Iva Winslow

Address: Bldg 2530, Funston Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5010/5007

Comments:

MAKE A DIFFERENCE: BE A MENTOR

The "Power of One"--one adult, giving one hour a week, to work one-on-one with one child, make a difference. That's what mentoring is all about. This is the reason more than 1,300 soldiers, civilians, retirees, and family members have participated in the Fort Sam Houston Community Mentor Program, since its beginning in 1990. Fort Sam Houston and San Antonio students can benefit significantly form a consistent, on-going relationship with a caring adult within the school setting. Volunteer mentors are needed now!

August, September, and October are the critical months to pair up a mentor with a child. The qualifications for mentoring are: an interest in children, a belief that every child can learn, willingness to listen, and honoring your commitment. Volunteers do not have to have college degrees or formal teaching experience to be mentors. The Department of Defense and all school districts require criminal background checks for any adult working with children. This is done through the Mentor Program application process. Orientations are held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Tuesday at Building 2530, at the Installation Chaplain Office next to Burger King. Mentorsmay choose from 14 partnership schools, indicate their age/grade preference, select any day and time when school is in session, and create their own balance between mentoring/tutoring. A mentor handbook and supplementary materials are provided through the program. School counselors also provide mentoring aids at the schools. The need is great. All schools have 25+ students waiting for mentors. There are over 300 active mentors, but 200 more mentors are needed to "make a difference in a child's life"! Exercise your 'power of one' today! Contact Mentor Coordinator Nancy Moore, (210) 221-5010, or Iva Winslow at the Installation Chaplain Office, (210) 221-5006/5007. The command-sponsored program provides for active duty and DA civilians to use 60-90 minutes duty time per week, mission permitting, to mentor.

Name: Religious, Marital, Premarital Counseling

Address: Bldg 1721, Dodd Field City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-5432

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0900-1630. See Religious

Activities Section.

Drug and Alcohol

The program focus is to prevent alcohol and other drug abuse; to identify abusers as soon as possible and to restore both military and civilian employees to effective duty as soon as possible. Services of program include, but are not limited to, outpatient counseling, prevention or education, civilian counseling, and referral, urinalysis, evaluation and follow-up, referral to other programs, and intervention.

Eligible for programs are active duty military personnel, DA civilians, retirees, and their families.

Name: Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention &

Control Program

POC: Will Apkarian or Teana Martin

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-0133 **DSN Phone:** 471-0133

Comments:

Hours: Mon - Fri 0730-1600.

Legal Assistance

Name: Staff Judge Advocate

POC: Legal Assistance

Address: Bldg 134, Stanley Rd.
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2282/2353

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0800-1600.

The Legal Assistance Office, offers free legal services to active duty retired service members, as well as their dependents. The services offered by the office, as part of the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps, exemplify the government's commitment to the soldier and the soldier's family. This article highlights the services offered on post at the Legal Assistance Office and answers basic questions about common legal problems.

ESTATE PLANNING/WILLS: Over half of our clients seek help in estate planning. Most of these clients are drafting wills. If your post-death estate is less than \$675.000 (including life insurance such as Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance), we can draft your will. If your estate is higher than that amount, you will be referred to a civilian estate planner. Once your estate exceeds \$675,000, the government will tax the excess at approximately 50 persent. For example, if you died with an estate of \$1 million, the first \$675,000 would pass to your heirs without tax while the remaining \$325,000 would be taxed, giving about \$150,000 to the government. To avoid these taxes, you should see an estate planner.

Drafting a will requires two appoinments at our office: (1) an initial meeting with an attorney to discuss the size of your estate and the beneficiaries, and (2) a second meeting to have the will executed, with witnesses and a notary.

In addition to basic wills, Fort Sam Houston is the only military installation in the country to offer probate services. Once a person dies, his or her will is usually probated by the county probate court to transfer title of property and other assets pursuant to the will. Our paralegal helps in the preparation of: (1) affidavits of heirship; (2) small estate affidavits; (3) muniments of title; (4) applications for letters testamentaty; and (5) orders for probate. Our paralegal will also coordinate with the probate court to insure the entire process runs smoothly.

FAMILY LAW: Over one-fifth of our clients seek assistance for family matters, particularly divorce

and related matters.

If you qualify, our office will prepare your divorce paperwork, including the petition and necessary affidavits. To qualify for a pro se divorce, you must satisfy the following requirements: (1) Married less than three years; (2) No children; (3) You and spouse agree to divorce; (4) Resident of Bexar County for the last 90 days; and (5) No significant assets. If you don't meet those requirements, we can advise you on Texas divorce law but you will ultimately be referred to a civilian attorneey.

In divorce matters, we help clients prepare the paperwork for the court; the client is then responsible for filing with the court and appearing before a judge. Under Army Regulations, JAG attorneys can not appear in court for a client.

DEBTS: Attorneys in our office routinely assist clients who are in debt. Federal law, including the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act, can help soldiers manage their debts. The Legal Assistnce Office will also contact debtors to lower interest rates and negotiate settlement of debts. Soldiers still have to pay for goods and services received, but our attorneys can advise you of your rights and options.

LANDLORD/TENANT LAW: Texas law has set rules for the rights and responsibilities of tenants and landlords. For example, before a tenant vacates a property,(s)he must give at least 30 days notice of intent to vacate; the tenant must give notice even if the time of the lease is up. Once a tenant vacates (after giving proper notice), the landlord must return the security deposit within 30 days or send the tenant a written explanation of why the deposit was withheld. If the landlord fails to do so, the tenant can recover \$100 plus three times the portion of the deposit wrongfully withheld, and the tenant's reasonable attorney's fees in a suit to recover the deposit.

MILITARY LAW: The Legal Assistnce Office can also help prepare appeals to NCOERs and OERs, Article 139 decisions, letters and memoranda of reprimand, and reports of survey. If you are facing these issues, an attorney in legal assistance can walk you through the procedures and help you with your case.

The Legal Assistance Office also provides free notary services and assists with powers of attorney on a walk-in basis. Finally, remember that the Legal Assistance Office was established to help the soldier. We're here to answer legal questions and help resolve legal problems. We take our duty to the soldier (both active and retired) and the soldier's family very seriously and look forward to helping you in the future.

Please contact us at (210) 221-2353 for our hours of operation or to set an appointment.

Child And Teen Services

Child and Teen Services Overview

Fort Sam Houston Child Development Center (CDC) is accredited by both the National Association of Education for Young Children (NAEYC) and the Department of Defense (DOD). The CDC offers full-day and part-day programs for children six weeks to 5 years-old. Children are given breakfast, lunch and a afternoon snacks. In accordance with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) guidelines.

The CDC is open from 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on federal holidays. Hourly care is also available. For registration call (210) 221-4871, the sponsor must present her/his ID card and the child's current immunization record. Also required will be a current physical and Family Care Plan for single and dual military within 30 days. There will be a \$15.00 registration fee for children/\$35 registration fee for families of 3 or more. CDC fees are based upon total family income.

Family Child Care (FCC) offers development child care for children 4 weeks to 12 years by certified providers. Care includes full time, part time, hourly, extended hours, overnight and long term. Certified providers provide on and off post care. Children and Youth Service (CYS) Cen tral Registration (210) 221-4871 provides child care referrals and child registration for FCC. Limited fee equity subsidies are available. Information on becoming an FCC provider is available through the FCC Office (210) 221-3828. For additional information call Central Registration at (210) 221-4871.

Name: Child & Youth Services Division (CYSD)

POC: Brenda Berry, Chief

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Road

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 295-4806

FAX: (210) 221-9672

DSN Phone: 421-4806

DSN FAX: 421-9672

Comments:
Hours: Mon - Fri, 0730-1630

New Parent Program

Building Healthy Families Program

This new and unique program is designed to address the needs of parents of infants under one year old. It offers unlimited training in one-on-one settings and small groups. It also offers ongoing support, companionship and friendship. This program will help a new parent to increase parenting skills, make friends who will support and encourage to increase your confidence as a parent.

The Building Healthy Support Group for parents and expectant parents meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month from noon to 1:30. You will learn:

- * How to calm your baby.
- * What to look for in the first 12 weeks of life.
- * How to nurture and guide infants.
- * How to help infants learn.
- * Ways to play with your baby.
- * Infant interaction/infant massage.
- * How to make your home safe for infants.
- * How to hold, carry, bath, diaper, feed and dress your infant.

Name: Building Healthy Families Program
POC: Family Advocacy Program
Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Road
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020
Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705
FAX: (210)221-2040, DSN 471-2040
DSN Phone: 471-2418/2705
DSN FAX: 471-2040
E-Mail: cynthia.taylor@cen.amedd.army.mil
Comments:
Hours: Mon-Fri, 0715-1700

Child Care Programs - on Installation

The Child Development Center offers a developmental program for children between six

weeks and five years of age. To register call (210) 221-4871 or DSN 471-4871, the sponsor must present her/his ID card, the child's current immunization record. The center provides meals and snacks.

Name: Child & Youth Services Special Needs Program

POC: Rhonda DeVries

Address: Bldg 2797 Stanley Road, RM 1

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5096

Phone: (210) 221-1725 **DSN Phone:** 471-1725

E-Mail: Rhonda.DeVries@cen.amedd.army.mil

Comments:

Program provides referral and information services for families with special needs children. Serves as a networking tool to keep sponsors abreast for programs available to them both on and off post. Coordinates training to meet assessed needs of Child and Youth Services and other eligible patrons. Assist special needs families with pre and post transition needs. Coordinates closely with the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) to ensure seamless delivery of service to families with special needs members. Program Director serves as co-chairperson of the Special Needs Resource Team (SNRT).

Name: Child Development Center POC: Sally Niccum Address: Bldg 2530, Funston Road City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5096 **Phone:** (210) 221-4058/5002 **FAX:** (210) 221-5390 **DSN Phone:** 471-4058/5002 **DSN FAX:** 471-5390 **Comments:** Hours: Mon-Fri, 0530-1730. Program Offered Yes/No Rate (\$) Full Day Care.....Yes....Based on Income Part Day - Pre-School....Yes.....Based on Income Hourly Care.....Yes....\$2.50 per hour Special Needs Care.....Yes......Main streamed OFF Post Referrals......Yes Care Type......Yes/No.....Rate (\$) Waiting List Infant.....Yes....Yes Pre-toddler.....Yes....Yes Toddler.....Yes....Yes Pre-School.....Yes....No School Age.....Yes

Comments: The CDC offers Special Night Out services. The time for Special Night Out is 6:30pm to 12 midnight. The fee is \$2.50 per hour. The CDC offers a developmental program for children between six weeks and five years of age. To register call (210) 221-4871 or DSN 471-4871. The sponsor must present his/her ID card, and the child's current immunization record. The center provides meal and snacks.

Kinder (before & After) Summer Kinder Camp

Name: Child and Youth Liaison, Education and Outreach Service (CLEOS)

Address: Bldg 2797 Stanley Road, RM 1

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5096

Phone: (210) 221-9658 FAX: (210) 221-9672 DSN Phone: 471-9658 DSN FAX: 471-9672

Comments:

The CLEOS program increases child care capabilities by providing on/off post alternative child care options when there is a excess demand for care and by providing common support services for existing Child Development Center (CDC) and Family Child Care (FCC) systems. The CLEOS common support services include a central enrollment registry, parent education, CYS volunteer services, and resource and referral services. The CLEOS provides and/or supports a balance of quality care options that are affordable, convenient to the worksite, and readily accessible to military and civilian families. In addition, CLEOS provides support to FCC and CDC systems by maintaining family care plans and coordinating the CDS role in training exercises and mobilization plans. This coordination role is necessary to allow the CDC and FCC delivery systems to focus on basic quality assurance factors needed to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of children in care. Optional CLEOS programs include Short Term Alternative Care (STACC), Volunteer Child Care in Unit Settings (VCCUS), parent co-ops, special interest programs, CYS Babysitting Training and Referral, CLEOS homes, contracted child care, support for Home School patrons, a resource library, and private organization child care.

Name: Early Head Start/Head Start Program/Parent Child Incorporated

POC: Lutene Nunn

Address: Bldg 1720, Dodd Field City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-3833 **DSN Phone:** 471-3833

Comments:

Services include:

- Cooperative venture with the city; partnership with Parent Child Incorporated.
- Provides eligible soldiers free developmental child care.
- Early Head Start for teen parents (6 weeks 2 years old)(teen must be attending school).
- Head Start for ages 3-5 years old.
- Parent/Child Incorporated provides staffing.
- The PCI is NAEYC accredited.

Name: Family Child Care
POC: Marilyn Judge
Address: Bldg 1630A

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5096

Phone: (210)221-3828 **FAX:** (210) 221-3792 **DSN Phone:** 471-3828 **DSN FAX:** 471-3792

Comments:

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1630.

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Child Care Programs - Community

Child care in the community is abundant and it will be necessary for you to conduct research to find the particular program that fits you and your child's needs. Listed below are some helpful tips in choosing the right child care center.

SELECTING A CHILD CARE CENTER.

Basic Information - The hours are suitable. - Can I afford the fees. - Meals and snacks are appropriate and nutritious. - The group size is acceptable.

The provider - Posses a good training and experience with children. - Disciplinary methods are acceptable. - The provider is friendly and cooperative. - The provider is responsive and supportive.

The Home or Center - The setting is bright and cheerful. - Children seem happy. - The provider and children get along well. - There is a balanced daily schedule. - Activities are appropriate for children's age. - Children are comforted when needed. - The center is clean and orderly. - Safety precautions are established. - Space is available for quiet, active, and outdoor play. - There is enough space for activities. - There are enough toys and equipment. - Children can get toys/equipment themselves. - Late charges and overtime charge. - Holidays and vacations. - Illness and medications.

Parents Involvement - Parents are involved in decision making. - Parents participate in some activities. - Parents can speak with provider when they drop off or pick up children. - Parents can visit unannounced anytime their children are in care.

Overall Impression - People who have used this service speak well of it. - I would be happy here if I were a child. - I feel comfortable leaving my child here

Name: Child Program

POC: Linda Montes
Address: P.O. Box 839966

City: San Antonio, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-3263

Comments:

Hours: 0730-1600, weekdays.

The Texas Department of Human Services is the licensing agency for family care programs and

services.

Name: Children's World

Address: 8003 Midcrown Dr. at Walzem Road

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 653-4990

Comments:

- > Convenient hours...full time, part-time, or even
- > Well trained, sensitive caregivers in a safe, healthy and developmentally sound environment.
- > Early impressions program for toddlers and twoyear-olds.
- > Pathways for three-year old and Pathways

Preschool Plus for 4 and 5 year olds.

- > Van transportation available to schools.
- > Nutritious meals and physical activities.
- > Active summer program with field trips.

Name: La Petite Academy Address: 318 West Sunset

City: San Antonio, TX **Phone:** (210) 824-1200

Comments:

- ~ Trained staff- state licensed.
- ~ Year-round programs * Hours vary.
- ~ Ages vary from 6 weeks to 12 years.
- ~ Superstar Club, school-age program includes transportation before and after school.
- ~ Journey, preshool & toddler program promotes social, educational and emotional growth.

Things To Do - Clubs and Social

One of the must important places to stop after you arrive at Fort Sam Houston is the Youth Center. The center offers an extensive program of activities that include sports, camps, lock-ins, dances, workshops, seminars, classes, trips, homework centers, computer lab and much more. For additional information stop and pick-up the schedule of monthly activities.

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.

A teen advisory council has been established to allow a free flow of communication among the vouth and the staff. With input from teens and pre-teens, the Youth Center staff will be able to better serve the military family by providing interesting and relevant programs and classes.

The High Adventure Trip Program is offered to teens throughout the year to develop their group initiatives, team building and leadership skills. In the past teens have traveled to Big Bend National Park, Garner State Park, Canyon Lake State Park, Corpus Christi, Six Flags and Astro World.

The Teen Rap Group meets on Fridays at 8:00 p.m. to discuss issues and problems relevant to the youth at Fort Sam Houston. Also, the Youth Center has college catalogs available with curriculum and financial information. For additional information call Youth Center, at (210) 221-4882 or DSN: 471-4882.

Name: Boy Scout of America

POC: Boy Scout Council of San Antonio

Address: 2226 N.W. Military Highway

City: San Antonio, TX 78213 **Phone:** (210) 341-8611

Comments:

Boy Scout Troop 23 is dedicated to providing an appropriate program which meets the goals of the Boy Scouts of America. Boys form the 1st through 12th grades participate in the pack and troop. In addition to working towards the accomplishment of individual scouting requirements, the scouts also perform service projects that support both the Fort Sam Houston and San Antonio communities.

Name: Child Development Center

POC: Sally Niccum

Address: Bldg 2530 Funston Road

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020

Phone: (210) 221-5002, DSN 471-5002

Name: Community Youth Program

POC: United Way of San Antonio

City: San Antonio, TX

Phone: (210) 227-4357

Comments:

Teen Help line is Bexar County's only information, referral, and counseling service just for teens. Teen volunteers confidentially give callers the information they need to help them through difficult times. Help line available 24 hrs.

Name: Girl Scout of America

POC: Girl Scout Council of San Antonio

Address: 10443 Gulfdale

City: San Antonio, TX 78216

Phone: (210) 349-2404

Comments:

The Girl Scout/Cole Service Unit is dedicated to providing an appropriated program which meets the goals of the Girl Scouts of America. Girls in Kindergarten through 12th grade participate in this service unit. Cole Service Unit has the only active Mounted Patrol in the United States.

Name: Youth Center **POC:** Jeanne Warren

Address: Bldg 1630, Watkins Blvd

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5020 **Phone:** (210) 221-4882, DSN 471-4882

Comments:

Youth Programs at Fort Sam Houston are under the direction of the Child and Youth Services Division, bldg 2797. Business hours are Monday - Friday 1200-2000 p.m. Pre-teen recreation hours are Tuesday -Saturday 1500-2000 p.m. Teen recreation hours are Monday - Thursday 1500-2000 and Saturday 1500-2400. The Youth Center offers an extensive program of activities that include middle school programs, sports, camps, lock-ins, dances, workshops and seminars, classes, trips, homework centers, computer lab and much more. Come to Fort Sam Houston Youth Service, bring the family and join the fun!!!!

Things To Do - Recreation and Sports

The goals of the Youth Sports program at Fort Sam Houston are: to teach and promote mental alertness and physical fitness, cooperation, self-confidence and self respect, to develop leadership qualities and discipline, and to teach the specific skills of the involved sport or activity.

The Youth Sports program offers a variety of team and individual activities, including golf, track, tennis, T-ball, baseball, softball, spring and fall soccer, football, cheerleading, basketball, and bowling. Please call Youth Center for additional information.

Schools

The FSH-ISD is one of the three smallest military school districts in Bexar County, is regularly considered among the best. The district serves the children of personnel stationed at Fort Sam Houston, boast some of the highest average student test scores on college entrance exams such as the American College Test(ACT) or the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT). The district enjoy excellent attendance rates and few dropouts, despite having high student mobility.

The FSH-ISD has received the prestigious National Blue Ribbon Award from the U.S. Department of Education, which recognizes outstanding public and private schools annually.

The boys basketball team at Cole High School on Fort Sam Houston won its only state championship in 1989 when NBA superstar Shaquille O'Neal was their starting center.

Military personnel who reside off post will have the choice to register their children at Fort Sam Houston ISD or in the district where he/she lives.

San Antonio has so many public school districts, each independently administered and accredited by the Texas Education Agency in Austin. Every school district has an elected school board and an appointed superintendent. Funding is by state and federal funds, and by local property taxes levied by each school district.

Public schools normally start the third week in August and run through the last week in May with the standard holidays being observed; however, you should check with the school for the actual dates.

The Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills Test is given to all third, fifth and ninth graders across the state. It indicates the level of mastery of basic skills like reading, language arts and mathematics. Call the school district in the area where you reside for dates of registration. Take birth certificate, proof of residence and immunization records with you on registration day.

For a list of school districts in San Antonio, please select from the index the Education topic.

School Age Care

The School Age Services Program is located in Building 1705 off Winans Road. The School-Age Services Program offers a Before and After School Program, Open Recreation Program, Reserve Hourly Care, Seasonal Camps (Spring, Fall, Winter, and Summer), and Teacher In-Service Camps for children in first through sixth grades.

The Before School Program operates Monday-Friday from 6 a.m. until school begins on Fort Sam Houston Elementary School regular school days. The After School Program begins at the release from school and until 6 p.m. daily.

Camps operate from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. Open Recreation operates Monday-Thursday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday and Saturdays from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. We are closed on Federal Holidays.

Special Events are offered throughout the month and may cause a change in hours of operation. Activities include arts and crafts, physical fitness, dramatic play, field trips, clubs, homework center, computer lab, table games, cooking, and much more.

Gymnastics, dance and tae kwon do are contract classes offered in our facility.

Reserve Hourly Care patrons may make reservations up to 30 days in advance. All children using the School-Age Services Program must be registered with Child and Youth Services Central Registration. They may be contacted at (210) 221-4871.

Name: School Age Services
POC: Kathlene Hatley

Bldg 1705

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5096

Phone: (210) 221-4466/4455 **DSN Phone:** 471-4466/4455

Comments:

The School Age Services Summer Camp will begin June 1st and run through August 9th. Summer camp activities will include swimming, bowling, arts and crafts, sports, dramatic play, field trips, and much, much more!! Come join the fun!!

Religious Programs

For additional information, please see Religious Activities topic.

Special Events

The Youth Center provides a variety of activities for the military youth and family. Self-directed programs include: Pool, pingpong, board games, air hockey, television and reading materials. Program directed activities include: Pool parties, game tournaments, day trips, family bingo, movie nights, holiday parties and high adventure trips. Call the Youth Center at (210) 221-4882/3502 for additional information on all programs.

Sponsorship and Support

If someone in your family recived order to Fort Sam Houston/San Antono Texas, Welcome to Lone Star State.

To assist you with the transition, the Youth Center will send you an information packet concerning youth issues upon request. Please contact one of the following agencies.

Name: Youth Center
POC: Jeanne Warren
Address: Bldg 1630
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-
Phone: (210) 221-4882

Name: Relocation Assistance Program

POC: Alicia Tyson

Address: Bldg 2797, Stanley Rd. **City:** Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2418/2705

FAX: (210) 221-2040 DSN 471-2040

Comments:

Mon-Fri 0730-1600

Youth Employment

Summer Employment:

"If funded" applications are accepted during a designated two weeks period during March. For specific information on dates and positions available, please call or write the Civilian Personnel Office. Please see the following address.

Name: Army Career Alumni Program (ACAP)

POC: Marlene Nash

Address: Bldg 2264, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5024

Phone: (210) 221-1213 **DSN Phone:** 471-1213

Comments:

At Fort Sam Houston we assist family members arriving or departing on PCS, college and high school students seeking employment, spouses returning to the work place, and soldiers interested in information when making career decisions.

Routinely receive part-time and summer employment opportunities suitable for youth employment.

Name: Civilian Personnel Office

POC: Recruitment Office

Address: Bldg 144, Stanley Rd.

City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234

Phone: (210) 221-2166 or 221-9822 Job line

WWW Link: http://www.cpol.army.mil

Comments:

0800-1300 weekdays or at the Job line 24 hrs.

Youth Centers

The Youth Programs at Fort Sam Houston are located at the Youth Center, Building 1630. Business hours are Monday - Friday 1000-1900. Middle School Recreation hours are Monday - Thursday 300-800 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 3---1000 p.m. Teens Recreation hours are Monday - Thursday 300-800 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 300-1100 p.m.

The Youth Service offers an extensive program of activities that include sports, camps, lock-ins, dances, workshops and seminars, classes, field trips homework centers, computer lab and much more. Get the young ones as well as the adolescents involved and join the fun!!!

Name: Youth Center
POC: Jeanne Warren
Address: Bldg 1630, Watkins Blvd
City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5096
Phone: (210) 221-4882/3502
DSN Phone: 471-4882/3502

For Teens Only

For more information on this subject: Army Civilian Personnel On-line http://www.cpol.army.mil

YOUTH SERVICES:

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YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.

A teen advisory council has been established to allow a free flow of communication among the youth and the staff. With input from teens and pre-teens, the Youth Center staff will be able to better serve the military family by providing interesting and relevant programs and classes.

The High Adventure Trip Program is offered to teens throughout the year to develop their group initiatives, team building and leadership skills. In the past teens have traveled to Big Bend National Park, Garner

State Park, Canyon Lake State Park, Corpus Christi, Six Flags and Astro World.

The Teen Rap Group meets on Fridays at 8:00 p.m. to discuss issues and problems relevant to the youth at Fort Sam Houston. Also, the Youth Center has college catalogs available with curriculum and financial information. For additional information call Youth Center, at (210) 221-4882 or DSN: 471-4882.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT:

"If funded" applications are accepted during a designated two weeks period during March. For specific information on dates and positions available, please call or write the Civilian Personnel Office. Please see the following address.

Name: Civilian Personnel Office POC: Recruitment Office Address: Bldg 144, Stanley Rd. City: Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234 Phone: (210) 221-2166/9822 Job line Fax:

Web Address: can be found in the overview wb

address. Comment:

0800-1300 weekdays or at the Job line 24 hrs.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION:

Name: Installation Volunteer Coordinator

POC: Kim Miller

Address: ACS, Bldg 2797, 2010 Stanley Rd Suite 95.

City: Fort Sam Houston TX 78234-5095

Phone: (210) 221-2705, DSN 471-2705, Fax (210)

221-2040

Proximity To Site: On Post

Comment:

This program provides an avenue for community involvement. Volunteers become part of a network from which they provide, as well as receive, support while developing friendships, skills, experience, and reference. Training is provided for all volunteer positions. Volunteer time and experience are documented and may be used on resumes and job applications.

PROVOST MARSHAL OFFICE NOTES:

Most teenagets living on Fort Sam Houston and in the San Antonio area DO NOT have negative encounters with law enforcement, but those that do are usually arrested for crimes against property, which includes shoplifting, damage to property (vandalism, "tagging", etc). Also, prevalent is the use or possession of alcohol and/or drugs. Curfew violations occur mostly on weekends, when teen crivers "cruise" San Antonio streets or congregate in parking lots.

Teenage drivers are often involved in fatal traffic accidents that are usually caused by inexperience behind the wheel, alcohol or drugs, speeding/racing, or just fooling around. In the past few years the entire nation has seen a rise in weapon related incidents at schools. Most area schools have a zero tolerance policy and several have adopted strict dress codes or require students to wear a uniform, which has seemed to lower gang related incidents at school.

Teens can avoid trouble by abiding post regulations, school rules and Texas laws. Some other tips that will help young adults stay on the right side of the law:

- 1) Don't shoplift or steal-you will eventually get caught. Don't hang around with people who do, you could get in trouble too!
- 2) Don't drink or do drugs. Avoid people who abuse drugs or alcohol and never ride with someone who does.
- 3) Don't carry any type of weapon to school (or anywhere else). If you know or suspect someone has a weapon, or are feeling threatened, tell an adult (principal, teacher, parent, police, etc)
- 4) Stay out of gangs.
- 5) Settle your arguments with words, not fists.
- 6) Become involved in community and youth activities and organizations. Fort Sam Houston and San Antonio have many opportunities for teenagers.
- 7) Don't be afraid to talk to a trusted adult (parents, teacher, police, etc) if you have a problem or know someone that does. Additional information can be obtain by calling:

PROVOST MARSHAL OFFICE (210) 221-2907 MILITARY POLICE (210) 221-2222 OR 911

OFFENSES MINOR CURFEW VIOLATIONS:

- 16 years and younger
- _ Public Places
- _ 2230-0600 Sunday Thursday (School Nights)
- _ Past Mid-Night 0000-0600 Friday Saturday
- _ 0900-1430 Monday Friday (School Days)

DRESS CODE:

All School districts enforce moderate hair styles and high standards of dress for for their students.

Specific Rules:

- 1. Halter tops, exposed midriffs, strapless and/or low cut tops, exposed backs, spaghetti straps, see-through clothing and tank shirts are prohibited.
- 2. Clothing with inappropriate advertising or statements that are offensive or inflammatory (alcoholic, beverage, sex, tobacco, drugs, gang, satanic, promoting violence, etc.) are prohibited.
- 3. Appropriate footwear is required. Footwear that has toes and/or soles reinforced with steel, hard plastic, or similar materials is prohibited.
- 4. Shorts will be permitted provided that the shorts are neatly hemmed and conservative and modest in appearance.
- 5. Pants shall be worn securely at the waist. Excessively worn and frayed jeans or other pants are prohibited.
- 6. Dresses, skirts, culottes, and split-skirts will be permitted provided that they are neatly hemmed, conservative, and modest in appearance. These article of clothing will not be shorter than mid-thigh in length. Excessively high slits in skirts will not be permitted.
- 7. Shirts and blouses will be tucked-in at all times.
- 8. Body piercing ornaments and other simulated ornaments will be worn on the lower ear lobe only.
- 9. Displaying tatoos and similar body painting(s) that promote violence, reflect gang activity, and that are considered to be offensive and inflammatory are prohibited.
- 10. Hats, caps, or other head apparel are prohibited.

GANGS:

Gangs and Gangs Activity - Board Policy FMC (Local) A "Gang" as defined in this policy is any group of two or more individuals whose purpose may include the commission of illegal acts. Gang is a prohibited fraternity, sorority, or society as defined by Texas Education Code, Section 37.121. By this policy, the Board of Trustees acts to prohibit the existance of gangs and gangs activity.

Students are prohibited from gangs involvement or gangs activities while at school, at any school facility, at any school sponsored activity, or on a school bus.

DRIVER TRAINING AND EDUCATION:

Texas Education Agency (TEA) has two programs in this area: the Division of Driver Training and a Public School Driver Education unit. The Driver Training Division has as its mission: "Working tofether to ensure that the highest quality of instruction is delivered to Texas Drivers". Additional information can be obtain at (512) 997-6500 or by FAX at (512) 997-6531 or 837-9990.

The Public School Driver Education unit defines its vision as to "provide all students in all grade levels the knowledge and skills to protect themselves from accidents and injury and to promote quality safety and driver education programs in public schools and college/universities to ensure that students are fully prepared to live safe and accident gree lives when they exit the school system". For additional information call (512) 463-9322 or by FAX (512) 305-9493.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES:

Whether you participate in or watch sports, San Antonio has both the activity and the weather for you. You have a choice of professional basketball, baseball, polo or recreational fishing and sailing. The mild 68.7 degree average temperature and numerous sunny days makes it possible any time of the year to head for a park, a lake or an evening with the pros.

The Alamo city is the home of the Spurs, a professional basketball team in the NBA, the Missions, a pro baseball team and farm team of the Los Angeles Dodgers (Fernando Valenzuela got his start here), the Dragons of the Central Hockey League and the U.S. Modern Pentahlon Association and Training Center. Local Fans watch Spurs action in the 65,000 seat Alamodome, while the 23,000 seat Alamo Stadium hosts other sports. The Alamodome opened in May 1993 and is located downtown near the convention center and the city's famous The multi-purpose facility will draw Riverwalk. amateur, collegiate, Olympic, and professional sports. Throughout the city, amateur athletes during all seasons have a myriad of sporting choices, including tennis, baseball, soccer, water sports, hunting and fishing. Indeed, San Antonio is a city that takes its sports and recreation seriously, and for fun!

PARKS:

City Parks and Recreation Department at (210) 821-3100 oversees 143 city park and sponsors sports teams and maintains ball fields and playgrounds. The department has an extensive program of sports and recreation activities all over the city. The following lists some of its opportunities, but for more information on all the facilities, call (210) 207-3120.

For Youth teams and there are more than 400 of those, call (210) 207-3038. The Parks Department also sponsors basketball, volleyball, and track and field teams; for information on these, call (210) 207-3120.

SAILING AND WINDSURFING

On most weekends, the waters at Canyon Lake are dotted with sails. There are a number of marinas for permanent docking or unloading of your sailboat. Instructions in and rentals of windsurfers are available. Consult local sailboat and windsurfing shops for information on sailing opportunities.

SWIMMING

There are 21 public pools under the Parks & Recreation Department. They open the third week of May and close the third week of August, Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 6:00 p.m. For other information, admission fee and directions, call (210) 821-3000.

LAKES

Fifteen lakes lie within 150 miles of San Antonio, and the Texas Gulf Coast is only 140 miles away.

ICE SKATING

Crystal Ice Palace, located at 12332 IH-10 West at de Zavala, 696-0006. Experience winter sport in South Texas at this old fashioned, grand ice palace ballroom, overlooking a spectacular mountain winter scene. Public skating daily; open year-round.

Call for session times. An outstanding professional coaching staff instructs aspiring figure skaters; classes available for all ages groups, beginners through advanced. Enjoy the fast paced action of amateur ice hockey junior and senior league games each week.

Name: Texas Youth Help line
City: San Antonio, TX
Phone: 1800- 210-2278 (Help Line)

Survival Tips For First Termers

Survival Tips for First Termers Overview

A Permanent Change of Station (PCS) move can be one of the most exciting and rewarding parts of an Army career: new places, new faces, and new challenges. However, for the soldier or family who is not prepared, a PCS move can be a very unhappy time. Most of this unhappiness is caused by money problems associated with the PCS move. "PLAN AHEAD. START SAVING NOW."

Listed below are some "Survival Tips" to help you and your family as you face the challenges and opportunities of the Mobile Military Lifestyle.

Before You Move

As soon as PCS orders are received, whether you consider the news good or bad, we recommed you to submit the DA Form 5434 Request for Sponsorship. A sponsor can help you learn about the area you are coming to. The sponsor has already lived in the area and will know all of the important things that can help you make smart decisions about your PCS move. Also consider contacting the Chamber of Commerce for additional information.

Some Installations will no longer be sending out welcome packets due to the information that is now available in SITES. The San Antonio Chamber of Commerce address and phone number is listed in this booklet.

If a spouse wants to work at the next duty station she/he needs to contact their local Army Career Alumni Program (ACAP) for assistance with resume preparation before the move. This will enable them to start their job hunt immediately upon arrival. Additional tips:

- * Save 3 to 6 months pay to cover emergencies amply.
- * Get a sponsor at the new post to assist you with lodging at the next duty station.
- * Learn about your new post as much as possible before you PCS, visit your local Army Community Service and request a copy of Fort Sam Houston automated packet.
- * If you have EFMP dependent contact your representative at your station before PCSing to the new installation.
- * Send out change of address letters to (creditors, friends and family members).
- * Set up an appointment with you local Finance Office. They can figure out how much travel pay you

will receive, talk to them about dislocation and temporary allowance, etc.

- * Talk to housing office about temporary lodging after you clear your current quarters and before you actually depart for your new station.
- * Get your children's school records or arrange for them to be sent to their new school.
- * Get family dental/medical records from federal and civilian doctors.
- * If you are renting an apartment or house off-post, collect your deposit. Also utility deposits.
- * If civilian employee, contact the new post Civilian Personnel Office two months prior to arriving to new post.
- * Check with ACAP Center to explore employment opportunities for spouse or family members at new duty station.
- * If you plan to buy a house, get a head start applying for your loan 1-2 months before you depart. Call the on-post Coldwell Banker D'Ann Harper Realtors at DSN 421-8539, COMM (210) 295-8539 or TOLL Free 1-888-789-MOVE (6683) for assistance.
- * Make reservations for temporary lodging at (210) 357-2705 or 1-800-462-7691. This office does not have DSN number so, do not try other number.
- * You must check-in at Housing Office, if you are on 10 days permissive TDY status for house hunting.

After You Arrive

After you arrive you need to contact your sponsor. Visit the Finance office and the In/Out Processing building 367. Also visit Army Community Service for community information and assistance.

Attend the Newcomers Orientation, so you can become familiar with programs available to you and your family. If you need cooking utensils, beds or baby items, etc., stop by the lending closet.

Contact Family Housing Office for on-post housing as well as off-post housing. (For more information on housing refer to subject: Housing and Billeting on this booklet).

* Notify Transportation Office of your arrival, so you can arrange for delivery of household goods.

- * Maybe change your car registration?
- * Spouse needs to report Civilian and Personnel Office.

Reporting Procedures

Upon arrival at Fort Sam Houston, officers should sign the register at the headquarters unit or activity to which they have been assigned. Enlisted soldiers should sign in at their orderly room or with the charge of quarters of the organization to which they have been assigned or attached. All soldiers, officers and enlisted, should check with their unit personnel NCO reference security processing.

Permanent Party soldiers inprocessing should report to Personnel in building 367 at 0720 and should bring their 201 file, health and dental records, assignment memorandum from the company, duty memorandum, education records (if applicable), leave form (DA-31) signed by approving authority, orders, and payroll suspense documents envelope (DA 2356).

Finance, Personnel, Housing, Security, Vehicle Registration, and Transportation are located in building 367 to serve your relocation needs. For more information or assistance call information at 221-9274/9262.

There is an approved and authorized Realtor on duty full time at the In/Out processing Center to help with off-post rental and home purchases. These services are available FREE of charge. For additional information call Coldwell Banker D'Ann Harper Realtor at DSN 421-8539, (210) 295-8539 or 1-888-789-6683.

The newly arriving soldier and family members should be aware that the Army Community Service Relocation Assistance Program and Lending Closet are specially designed to make their transition into our community an easier, more pleasant experience. Another program highly recommended for newcomers is the "Fort Sam Houston Extravaganza" designed to help you become acquainted to the community. The whole family is welcome.

ATTENTION NEWCOMERS: The Newcomers' Extravaganza is "MANDATORY" for all permanent party inprocessing soldiers, LTC and below to attend the Newcomers' Extravaganza within 60 days of their arrival. Please see enclosed schedule.

For assistance or information on these programs or other services available on post, call (210) 221-2705/2418.

FY2002 NEWCOMERS' EXTRAVAGANZA:

29 JAN 26 FEB 26 MAR 30 APR

28 MAY 25 JUN 30 JUL 27 AUG

24 SEP 29 OCT 26 NOV DEC-NONE

Travel Planning

Visit your local Army Community Service/Relocation Assistance Program at your installation and request an Automap, which will tell you how to drive from your current location to Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

As you plan your trip, try to limit your daily journey to distances that will not be too difficult for your family. This could save your family some discomfort along the way. Plan frequent rest stops at least every 2 or 3 hours, even if it is only for 5 to 10 minutes. Confirm your reservations at the Fort Sam Houston Guest House, or wherever you will be staying in San Antonio, at the end of your journey. If you are taking pets, be sure the hotel or motel where you are staying allows pets. The Fort Sam Houston Guest House doesn't allow pets.

If you are traveling with small children or infants, be sure to make a list of all the things you will need along the way and take all these things with you. Take a few toys for younger children or games for older children to keep the occupied. Also, be sure to take baby food and snacks. Bring clothes appropriate for the season.

When you are on the road, be sure to keep track of mileage and all expenses, and keep all receipts. If you want an advance on your travel pay, request it ten working days before your departure day. You will settle your travel on a DD Form 1351-2. Dependent and dislocation allowance advances must be settled within 30 days of your arrival at Fort Sam Houston.

Don't take or spend advance pay unless it is absolutely essential. You will pay it back by monthly deductions from your pay. So you will have less to live on every month until it's all paid back.

DISLOCATION ALLOWANCE: Approximately 2 1/2 months' BAQ. You will not receive this until well after you arrive at your new post - don't count on it being there when you need to pay deposits on a new apartment, or home.

TRAVEL PAY: This is mileage related, and is usually not paid until after you arrive in the new post.

If you wish to do a Do-it-Yourself (DITY) move, it must be approved by the Transportation Office at your current location before the move. Finance cannot issue an advance or explain your entitlements unless you have the DD Form 2278 that Transportation issues upon approval of your DITY move.

Vehicle Ownership

LICENSES: Generally, new Texas resident must obtain a texas driver's license within 30 days after establishing residency. However, persons enlisted in the armed forces are exempt. However, if you want a Texas License, contact the nearest office of the Texas Department of Public Safety. Licenses are issued for a fee of \$24 and last four years. Teenagers must be 16 years old and complete and approved driver's education class.

INSURANCE: Texas law requires that all vehicle owners carry automobile liability insurance and drivers are required to carry proof-of-insurance at all times. Failure to do so can result in a fine.

SEAT BELTS and CHILDRENS' SEATS: State law requires drivers and all passengers in the front seat to wear a seat belt or ride in a restraining device. Children from infacy to two-year-old must be strapped into approved infant car seats; and children from two to four years, or up to 50 lbs., must ride in approved car seats or be strapped into a seat belt no matter where they are in the car.

REGISTRATION: Automobiles must also be registered and licensed within 30 days with the county tax assessor's office. However, military personnel may choose to retain their home state registration. To register a vehicle in Texas, you must show proof of insurance, proof of sales tax, a certificate of title, and a valid Texas inspection sticker. Vehicles must be inspected annually.

The word "Texas" actually comes from a Caddo Indian term, tejas, meaning "friendly." And Texans enjoy a reputation for being friendly. Especially in small towns and rural areas, everyone speaks to

everybody else, and drivers acknowledge each other on the road by throwing up their hand or raising their index finger. They also commonly move over to the shoulder of the road and allow faster traffic to passjust being "Texas friendly."

The general speed limit is 55mph, 65 mph on interstate and most state higways. Motorists exiting off the interstate onto an access road have the right-of-way. Those motorist traveling along the access road must yield to the exiting vehicle. Many access roads are also two-way, so always look for the yellow center line before mistakenly heading into on-coming traffic.

Housing and Billeting

Community Housing: There is an approved and authorized Realtor on duty full time at the In/Out processing Center to help with off-post rental and home purchases. These services are available FREE of charge. For additional information call Pat Brown of Coldwell Banker D'Ann Harper Realtor at DSN 421-8539, COMM (210) 295-8539 OR 1-888-789-6683.

NOTE: For additional information please see Community Housing Topic.

Government Housing: The Family Housing Office maintains a total of 992 on-post family quarters for eligible soldiers (E-4 and above) who have families. An average waiting period of 18 months for on-post housing is common, regardless of grade, depending the category of quarters and the time of year.

NOTE: For additional information please see Government Housing Topic.

The Unaccompanied Personnel Housing Office maintains 592 on-post quarters for unaccompanied military members in PCS, TDY or visitors status. Fifty officers' quarters and 51 senior enlisted quarters are available to eligible permanent party members, and 456 visiting officer quarters and 49 visiting enlisted quarters are available for TDY and transient people. In addition, a limited number of distinguished visitor quarters are available to those TDY or PCS, those on leave and retired officers in grades 0-6 and above. For reservations call (210) 357-5003.

Reservations for these spaces may be made in writing to the Unaccompanied Personnel Housing Office, Bldg 592, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-5000, or by telephone, DSN 471-5004 or (210) 357-5004.

Fort Sam Houston maintains a guest facility located in Bldg 3625, George C. Beach Ave. The guest house is a five-story building with central air and heat, equipped with community laundry and kitchen facilities. All rooms have color televisions and telephones. Members are authorized its use on the priorities listed below:

- Active-duty military of all grades with or without family members, departing or arriving PCS, while clearing quarters or housing in the civilian community.
- Visiting relatives and guests of patients in military hospitals.
- Active and retired military and other members authorized and undergoing outpatient medical treatment required to stay overnight at or near a military facility.
- Guest visiting service members stationed at the installation.
- Military on TDY, assigned involuntarily to the guest house accommodations on a space-available basis in the absence of adequate VOQ or VEQ.
- Transient military on leave and transient military members on a space-available basis.

Maximum length of guest house occupancy for those arriving PCS is 60 days without loss of BAQ, and for those departing in PCS status is seven days.

Occupancy by all other guests will not exceed seven days.

Money Matters

The money might come from:

- * Dislocation Allowance
- * Travel pay
- * Garage sale before the move.
- * Returned deposits: apartment and utilities, etc.
- * Advance pay.

The money might go:

- * Travel cost: tickets, gasoline, food and lodging, car tune-up, new tires, and emergency repairs along the way.
- * Deposits: rent, utilities, telephone, and cable.
- * Closing cost if buying or selling a new house.
- * Temporary lodging at old and new post.
- * Food: restocking the refrigerator and food pantry.
- * Household incidentals.
- * Curtains.

At A Glance

Facility/Services Summary

Officer and Enlisted Population					
Active Duty Officer	3423	Active Duty Warrant Officer			
Guard Reserve Officer	1	Guard Reserve Warrant Officer			
Retired (Officer and Enlisted)	14687	Foreign Service Officers	31		
Active Duty Enlisted	10095	Guard Reserve Enlisted	1		
Foreign Service Enlisted	10				
	Civ	rilians			
Civil Service	6351	Wage Grade			
Non-Appropriated Funds	4323	Family Members -on and off Installation-	17305		
	Family	Services			
Family Centers	1	Teen Centers	1		
Child Day Care	2	Family Child Care Certified Homes			
Total Child Capacity		Total Child Capacity			
Average Waiting List Time -Months-	3				
	Other Services				
Commissary	1	Exchanges	1		
Shoppettes	3	Gas Stations	2		
Movie Theaters	0	Banks and Credit Unions	2		
McDonalds/Burger King	2	Other i.e. Exchange concessionaires	10		

Housing Summary

Officer Housing					
Senior Officer Waiting	0	Senior Officer 3 Bed Room	12		
Senior Officer 4 Bed Room	16	Senior Officer Other	0		
Company Grade Officer Waiting	0	Company Grade Officer 2 Bed Room	18		
Company Grade Officer 3 Bed Room	6	Company Grade Officer 4 Bed Room	12		
Company Grade Officer Other	0	BOQ	291		
	Enlisted Housing				
Senior Enlisted Waiting		Senior Enlisted 3 Bed Room	9		
Senior Enlisted 4 Bed Room	18	Senior Enlisted Other	0		
Enlisted Waiting		Enlisted 2 Bed Room	16		
Enlisted 3 Bed Room	16	Enlisted Other	9		
BEQ		Transient Lodging Facilities			

Education Summary

Name	Numbers
Elementary School	1
Jr High/Middle School	1
High School	1

Local Community Summary

Type of Housing	Avg.	Low	High
Apartment Rent	600	500	700
House Rent	600	600	950
House Price - Single Family	75	55	125
Townhouse/Condominium Price	75	55	125

Medical and Dental Summary

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Medical Facilities							
Medical Treatment Facilities	Y	Number of Beds	450	Medical Clinic	1		
Alcohol	Y	Allergy	Y	Audiology	Y		
Cardiology	Y	Coronary care	Y	Dermatology	Y		
Dietary	Y	Emergency	Y	Endocrinology	Y		
		room					
Family Practice	Y	General surgery	Y	Gynecology	Y		
HIV Unit	Y	Hematology	Y	Immunization	Y		
Infect Disease	Y	Intensive Care	Y	Laboratory	Y		
Mental Health	Y	Neonatal	Y	Nuclear Medicine	Y		
		Intensive Care					
		Unit					
Nephrology	Y	Neurology	Y	Neurosurgery	Y		
Obstetrics	Y	Oncology	Y	Opthamology	Y		
Optometry	Y	Orthopedics	Y	Otolarygnology	Y		
Pathology	Y	Pediatrics	Y	Physical Therapy	Y		
Podiatry	Y	Primary Care	Y	Radiology	Y		
Rheumatology	Y	Urology	Y				
Dental Facilities							
Dental Clinics	3	Adolescent	Y	Endodontics	Y		
General Dentistry	Y	Oral Surgery	Y	Orthodontics	Y		
Pedodontist	Y	Periodontics	Y				

Relocation and Support Services Summary

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Military Clubs					
Officers Club	1	Non-Commissioned Officers Club	1		
Enlisted Club	1				
	Red	creation			
Arts and Crafts	0	Automobile Hobby Centers	1		
Bowling Centers	1	Recreational Centers	1		
Libraries	1	Music and Theater Locations	1		
Physical Fitness/Sports					
9 Hole Golf Courses	1	18 Hole Golf Courses	1		
Gyms/Physical Fitness Centers	3	Jogging Paths	2		
Tennis Clubs/Courts	5	Tennis Courts - Lighted	2		
Swimming Pools - Public	2				
Nature/Outdoor Activities					
Outdoor Recreation Centers	1	Campgrounds	1		
Fishing Areas	1	Horse Stables	1		

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